



The Bible Says



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There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; 5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6 One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all" (Ephesians 4:4-6 KJV)

One Body

In our studies we have learned that the one body is the church (Ephesians 1:22; Colossians 1:18). Since the body is the church and there is one body, how many churches? ONE!

Trying to RESTORE The New Testament Church

For hundreds of years, The Roman Catholic Church claimed to be the "One Church" of the New Testament. After the time of its beginning in 251 A.D., many new doctrines were introduced that were unknown to the Bible. Below are a few:

- "Christianity" A State Religion - 300 A.D.
- Council of Nicea - 325 A.D.
- Latin Mass (394 AD)
- Purgatory (593 AD)
- Boniface III (1st Universal Pope) 606 A.D.
- Instrumental Music (ca 800 AD)
- Transubstantiation (1000 AD)
- Celibacy of Priest (1015 AD)
- Indulgences (1192 AD)
- Auricular Confession (1215 AD)
- Sprinkling (1311 AD)
- Pope Declared Infallible (1870 AD)

As we have already noted, Martin Luther (then a Catholic priest) in 1530, began trying to REFORM Catholicism. Others joined in this effort, and thus denominationalism began to flourish. As we have already stated, in the late 1700s, men in a number of places began to call for "Back to the Bible. Let's RESTORE The New Testament church instead of trying to REFORM Catholicism. Next Week: What was to be restored?

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