## Why Become a Member of the Church of Christ?

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Why should a person become a member of the church of Christ? May I offer some reasons for your consideration? Please read the scriptures found with each one.

- It was founded by the scriptural builder—Christ (Matthew 16:18).
- It was founded on the scriptural foundation—the teachings of Christ (Matthew 16:18; 1 Corinthians 3:11).
- It was founded at the scriptural place-Jerusalem (Isaiah 2:2-3; Luke 24:46-49; Acts 2).
- It was founded at the scriptural time-the first Pentecost following the resurrection (Acts 2, "church" is described as an established organization for the first time).
- It has a scriptural name (Matthew 16:18; Romans 16:16).
- It has scriptural organization (Philippians 1:1).
- It has the Bible as its only creed (2 Timothy 3:16–17; 2 Peter 1:3).
- It is undenominational (John 17:20-21).
- It administers scriptural baptism (immersion) (Matthew 28:18–19; Acts 8:36, 38; John 3:23; Romans 6:4).
- It gives scriptural answers to the question, "What must I do to be saved?" (Acts 2:38; 22:16; Mark 16:16).
- Its observation of the Lord's supper is scriptural (1 Corinthians 11:23-25; Acts 20:7; 2:42).
- It has scriptural music in worship (Ephesians 5:19;

Colossians 3:16).

 Salvation is in Christ's church (Acts 20:28; 2:47; Ephesians 5:23; Colossians 1:18).

Friend, why not obey the simple gospel of Christ today? Sin condemns one's soul eternally-but God has given His Son, making it possible for sin to be removed.

We can be members of the same church today that Christ said He would build (Matthew 16:18)—the one that is found within the pages of the Bible. By doing what they did, we can become what they became—just Christians.