

71 References to the Church in the New Testament

^{ESV} **Matthew 18:17** If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the **church**. And if he refuses to listen even to the **church**, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.

^{ESV} **Acts 9:31** ¶ So the **church** throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it multiplied.

^{ESV} **Acts 11:22** The report of this came to the ears of the **church** in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch.

^{ESV} **Acts 11:26** and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the **church** and taught a great many people. And in Antioch the disciples were first called Christians.

^{ESV} **Acts 12:1** ¶ About that time Herod the king laid violent hands on some who belonged to the **church**.

^{ESV} **Acts 12:5** So Peter was kept in prison, but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the **church**.

^{ESV} **Acts 15:3** So, being sent on their way by the **church**, they passed through both Phoenicia and Samaria, describing in detail the conversion of the Gentiles, and brought great joy to all the brothers.

^{ESV} **Acts 15:4** When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the **church** and the apostles and the elders, and they declared all that God had done with them.

^{ESV} **Acts 15:22** ¶ Then it seemed good to the apostles and the elders, with the whole **church**, to choose men from among them and send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. They sent Judas called Barsabbas, and Silas, leading men among the brothers,

^{ESV} **Acts 15:41** And he went through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the **churches**.

^{ESV} **Acts 16:5** So the **churches** were strengthened in the faith, and they increased in numbers daily.

^{ESV} **Acts 20:17** ¶ Now from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the **church** to come to him.

^{ESV} **Romans 16:1** ¶ I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a servant of the **church** at Cenchreae,

^{ESV} **Romans 16:4** who risked their necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks but all the **churches** of the Gentiles give thanks as well.

^{ESV} **Romans 16:16** Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the **churches** of Christ greet you.

^{ESV} **Romans 16:23** ¶ Gaius, who is host to me and to the whole **church**, greets you. Erastus, the city treasurer, and our brother Quartus, greet you.

^{ESV} **1 Corinthians 1:2** ¶ To the **church** of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

^{ESV} **1 Corinthians 4:17** That is why I sent you Timothy, my beloved and faithful child in the Lord, to remind you of my ways in Christ, as I teach them everywhere in every **church**.

^{ESV} **1 Corinthians 6:4** So if you have such cases, why do you lay them before those who have no standing in the **church**?

ESV **1 Corinthians 10:32** Give no offense to Jews or to Greeks or to the **church** of God,

ESV **1 Corinthians 11:16** If anyone is inclined to be contentious, we have no such practice, nor do the **churches** of God.

ESV **1 Corinthians 11:18** For, in the first place, when you come together as a **church**, I hear that there are divisions among you. And I believe it in part,

ESV **1 Corinthians 11:22** What! Do you not have houses to eat and drink in? Or do you despise the **church** of God and humiliate those who have nothing? What shall I say to you? Shall I commend you in this? No, I will not.

ESV **1 Corinthians 12:28** And God has appointed in the **church** first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues.

ESV **1 Corinthians 14:5** Now I want you all to speak in tongues, but even more to prophesy. The one who prophesies is greater than the one who speaks in tongues, unless someone interprets, so that the **church** may be built up.

ESV **1 Corinthians 14:12** So with yourselves, since you are eager for manifestations of the Spirit, strive to excel in building up the **church**.

ESV **1 Corinthians 14:19** Nevertheless, in **church** I would rather speak five words with my mind in order to instruct others, than ten thousand words in a tongue.

ESV **1 Corinthians 14:23** If, therefore, the whole **church** comes together and all speak in tongues, and outsiders or unbelievers enter, will they not say that you are out of your minds?

ESV **1 Corinthians 14:28** But if there is no one to interpret, let each of them keep silent in **church** and speak to himself and to God.

ESV **1 Corinthians 14:35** If there is anything they desire to learn, let them ask their husbands at home. For it is shameful for a woman to speak in **church**.

ESV **1 Corinthians 16:19** ¶ The **churches** of Asia send you greetings. Aquila and Prisca, together with the **church** in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord.

ESV **2 Corinthians 1:1** ¶ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the **church** of God that is at Corinth, with all the saints who are in the whole of Achaia:

ESV **2 Corinthians 8:18** With him we are sending the brother who is famous among all the **churches** for his preaching of the gospel.

ESV **2 Corinthians 8:19** And not only that, but he has been appointed by the **churches** to travel with us as we carry out this act of grace that is being ministered by us, for the glory of the Lord himself and to show our good will.

ESV **2 Corinthians 8:23** As for Titus, he is my partner and fellow worker for your benefit. And as for our brothers, they are messengers of the **churches**, the glory of Christ.

ESV **2 Corinthians 8:24** So give proof before the **churches** of your love and of our boasting about you to these men.

ESV **2 Corinthians 11:8** I robbed other **churches** by accepting support from them in order to serve you.

ESV **2 Corinthians 11:28** And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure on me of my anxiety for all the churches.

ESV **2 Corinthians 12:13** For in what were you less favored than the rest of the churches, except that I myself did not burden you? Forgive me this wrong!

ESV **Ephesians 1:22** And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church,

ESV **Ephesians 3:10** so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.

ESV **Ephesians 3:21** to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

ESV **Ephesians 5:23** For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior.

ESV **Ephesians 5:24** Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

ESV **Philippians 4:15** And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving, except you only.

ESV **Colossians 1:18** And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.

ESV **Colossians 1:24** ¶ Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church,

ESV **Colossians 4:16** And when this letter has been read among you, have it also read in the church of the Laodiceans; and see that you also read the letter from Laodicea.

ESV **1 Thessalonians 1:1** ¶ Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

ESV **1 Thessalonians 2:14** For you, brothers, became imitators of the churches of God in Christ Jesus that are in Judea. For you suffered the same things from your own countrymen as they did from the Jews,

ESV **2 Thessalonians 1:1** ¶ Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

ESV **1 Timothy 3:5** for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God's church?

ESV **1 Timothy 3:15** if I delay, you may know how one ought to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, a pillar and buttress of the truth.

ESV **1 Timothy 5:16** If any believing woman has relatives who are widows, let her care for them. Let the church not be burdened, so that it may care for those who are truly widows.

ESV **Philemon 1:2** and Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house:

NIV **Hebrews 12:23** to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the judge of all men, to the spirits of righteous men made perfect,

ESV **James 5:14** Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.

ESV **3 John 1:6** who testified to your love before the church. You will do well to send them on their journey in a manner worthy of God.

ESV **3 John 1:9** I have written something to the church, but Diotrephes, who likes to put himself first, does not acknowledge our authority.

ESV **3 John 1:10** So if I come, I will bring up what he is doing, talking wicked nonsense against us. And not content with that, he refuses to welcome the brothers, and also stops those who want to and puts them out of the church.

ESV **Revelation 1:20** As for the mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden lampstands, the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

ESV **Revelation 2:1** ¶ "To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: 'The words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks among the seven golden lampstands.

ESV **Revelation 2:8** ¶ "And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write: 'The words of the first and the last, who died and came to life.

ESV **Revelation 2:12** ¶ "And to the angel of the church in Pergamum write: 'The words of him who has the sharp two-edged sword.

ESV **Revelation 2:18** ¶ "And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write: 'The words of the Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and whose feet are like burnished bronze.

ESV **Revelation 2:23** and I will strike her children dead. And all the churches will know that I am he who searches mind and heart, and I will give to each of you according to your works.

ESV **Revelation 3:1** ¶ "And to the angel of the church in Sardis write: 'The words of him who has the seven spirits of God and the seven stars. "I know your works. You have the reputation of being alive, but you are dead.

ESV **Revelation 3:7** ¶ "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: 'The words of the holy one, the true one, who has the key of David, who opens and no one will shut, who shuts and no one opens.

ESV **Revelation 3:14** ¶ "And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write: 'The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God's creation.