

3 Requirements for the Gospel –

Can you be saved if you don't know all the right doctrines? (Bible)

Can you be saved if you choose one religion over another (without relationship)

Can you be saved apart from The Church? (Catholics, Mormons, Jehovah's witness)

How does GOD reveal Himself?

1. His word
2. His spirit
3. His church

Isa 55:11 - so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.

John 3:5 - Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. ⁶ Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit^l gives birth to spirit. ⁷ You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You^[c] must be born again.' ⁸ The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit."

Matt 16:18 - on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hell will not overcome it.

1. Without Gods word as our truth blueprint, we come to erroneous conclusions. (make up another version of Jesus)
2. Without Gods spirit, we are left to mechanical, routine, lifeless, religion.
3. Without the church (body of Christ) how will they hear? Who will preach? Who will model it? Who will disciple?

There's one reason we give to the church, serve at the church, attend the church, learn from the church...

It is Gods living organism, that includes many smaller organizations, sustained for 2,000 years to reach, teach and keep people for Christ.

1 cor 12: 3 - and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit.

Rom 8:16 - The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

John 17:17 -Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth.

John 6:63, NLT: "The Spirit alone gives eternal life. Human effort accomplishes nothing. And the very words I have spoken to you are spirit and life."

1 Cor 2:10 - these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit.

The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. ¹¹ For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. ¹² What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us.

Fellowship of believers – Acts 2:42-47, 1 Thess 5:11, Heb 10:25, Matt 18:20,
1 John 1:7

Family of God – John 1:12, 1 John 3:1,2, Eph 2:19,20, Gal 6:10, 1 Cor 12:26,
Rom 12:5,