

## Which One Is the Right One?

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### Introduction

1. Text Matthew 16:13-18
2. Have you ever gone somewhere and looked down and realized that you had two different shoes on or two different socks on? Kids do this all the time now
3. How can you tell the difference?
  - a. That may be easy to say sometimes look at these two shoes are they the same color?
  - b. Or these two socks are they the same?
  - c. Look at these two shoes, we can tell the difference when we look at them but when one puts them on they feel the same.
  - d. Can we tell the differences in different religious groups?
  - e. How can we tell the differences in them?
4. We must examine each to see what we are getting.
  - a. We must look at the shoes very carefully to make sure they mate
  - b. We must look at the socks very carefully to make sure they mate
  - c. We must look at the church very carefully to make sure it is the right one.
5. Since we are here in a religious setting we will look at the church to make sure it is the right one.

### II Discussion

1. Where did your church begin?
  - a. Rome?
  - b. Mecca
  - c. Germany
  - d. England – The church of England and the Baptist
  - e. France or Switzerland
  - f. USA
  - g. Jerusalem Luke 24:47; Is 2:2-3
2. When did your church begin?
  - a. Catholic 606 1054 Greek Catholic
  - b. Muslim 632
  - c. 1521 Lutheran Church
  - d. 1535 Church of England
  - e. 1536 Presbyterian
  - f. 1611 Baptist
  - g. Various groups, Methodist 1738, Pentecostal 1914
  - h. The first Pentecost after the resurrection Joel 2:28; Dan 2:44; Ma66 16:16-18; Mark 9:1; Matt 4:17 Acts 1:6,8; Acts 2: 1-4; 14-17
3. What is the name of your church?
  - a. See above and there are many, many more!
  - b. 1 Cor 1:2 Rom 16:16 1 Tim 3:15
4. How does your church worship?
  - a. Prayers, singing, Lord's Supper, giving, and teaching Acts 2:42
5. How does one become a member of your church?

a. Faith – Repentance – Confession – Baptism

### III Conclusion

1. Did the church where you regularly go begin at the correct time?
2. Did the church where you regularly go begin at the correct place?
3. Does the church where you regularly go have the correct name?
4. Does the church where you regularly go worship correctly?
5. Does the church where you regularly go have the correct law of pardon?
6. Then why not come to where these are all correct?
7. Come now and be a part of the correct church!

Sources. Christian light house charts, Eternal Kingdom; Handbook on Denominations in the US