

This is YOUR invitation...

To be part of a very special group of people.

In fact, this is the greatest assembly of people ever formed.

These people form God's hall of fame ("I will appoint them for praise and fame"—Zeph. 3:19).

Tell Me More

- These people sit together with Christ in the “heavenly places.”
 - Ephesians 1:19–20; 2:1, 4–6.
 - Where they are blessed with “every spiritual blessing” (Ephesians 1:3).
 - “The riches of His grace which He lavished upon us” (Ephesians 1:7–8, NAS).
 - Jesus is their “Shepherd and Overseer,” so they can say, “The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want” (Psa. 23:1).

Tell Me More

- These people have their names “written in heaven,” in the “Book of Life.”
 - Luke 10:20; Philippians 4:3; Revelation 21:17.
 - But, note the warning in Revelation 3:5.
 - “The Lord knows those who are His...” (2 Timothy 2:19).

Tell Me More

- This group of people includes the redeemed “of every tribe and tongue and people and nation” (Revelation 5:9), AND the redeemed of all ages (past, present, and whoever may be added in the future).
 - Yes, this “general assembly” includes the “spirits of just men made perfect” (Heb. 12:23)—those now in Paradise.
 - It also includes the Old Testament faithful, because they too were redeemed by the blood of Christ (Hebrews 9:15).

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- These people are “fellow citizens” (Ephesians 2:19) in the most powerful kingdom ever established—the kingdom of heaven.
 - One which “cannot be shaken” (Hebrews 12:28), one which will “never be destroyed” (Daniel 2:44; 7:14).
 - “Then the sovereignty, the dominion and the greatness of all the kingdoms under the whole heaven will be given to the people of the saints of the Highest One; His kingdom will be an everlasting kingdom, and all the dominions will serve and obey Him” (Daniel 7:27).

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- Together, these people form the temple of God, and as such have God dwelling in and among them.
 - Ephesians 2:19–22

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- No two ways about it, these people are heaven bound.
 - Song: “Everybody talkin’ about heaven ain’t going there...”
 - These folks ARE going!
 - 1 Thessalonians 4:16–17.

So, who is this group of people?

- This is the ONE church Jesus promised to build in Matthew 16:18, the ONE body described in Ephesians 4:4.
- This is the church of our Lord, the church of Jesus Christ.
- This is the people whom Jesus has saved and will save eternally (“He is the Savior of the body”—Ephesians 5:23).

And YOU can be a part of it!

- Acts 2:36–38, 41, 47.
 - “Added to the Lord” (Acts 5:14; 11:24).
- 1 Corinthians 12:13.

Please understand...

- If you are part of a denomination, you are in something very different than what was described in these passages.
 - Think about various denominations of money.
 - This ONE body is NOT made up of various denominations.
 - Consider the “smallness” of denominational thinking.
1 Corinthians 3:21–23.
 - Why align yourself with a faction when in Christ you can have it all?