



Elgin Evangelical Free Church - January 10, 2021

Question #1: Is church membership in the Bible?

Before we start . . .

- A. We live in an age of consumer independence.
- B. Submission to authority is not highly desired.
- C. It is hard to let your life be ordered by others, especially if you have been burned.

Ephesians 5:30

I. Biblical Evidence

A. The Growth Expectation

Ephesians 4:14-16; Matthew 18:15-17; I Corinthians 5:12-13

B. The Leadership Expectation

Timothy 5:17; I Thessalonians 5:12; Hebrews 13:17, Acts 20:28; I Peter 5:3

C. The Metaphor Expectation

Romans 12:4-5

D. The Clear Expectation