

14. What call does God make to His people who are in the false or confused religious bodies of the world today? *Revelation 18:1-4.*

The Bible Says: _____

Speaking of His true people, it is more than coincidence that in two different places in the book of Revelation God says of them, they “keep the commandments of God.” In this age of spiritual confusion, many religious leaders teach that God does not want His followers to keep His commandments. They go so far as to assert that the commandments of God have been abolished by the death of Christ. We see from this prophecy that God, by His divine foresight, knew what was going to be taught today. He pictures His people as those who keep His commandments. Those who carry His last gospel message to the world are described as those who are obedient to Him. They obey Him because they love Him supremely, and their obedience is a manifestation of this love.

In finding the true church as described in Revelation, we must find a church which keeps all of God’s commandments, which surely includes the Sabbath. It also is a Christian church, for it accepts “the faith of Jesus.” This church must have the gift of prophecy in its midst, and it must be working in all the world giving the threefold gospel message of Revelation 14. Look about you today, and you will find only one church that has all of God’s identifying marks of the true church. When you find this church, you will want to unite with it and share in the joy of giving the gospel to all the world.

Do you see clearly from your study of the Bible that members of God’s “remnant” church on earth will keep both the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus? _____

Which of the following statements represents your present status?

I found the true church long ago. ☐

I have found it through these lessons. ☐

I am still studying to be sure. Please pray for me. ☐

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About the Question, “Does Christ Have a Church Today?”

Always pray before opening your Bible.

Find the text in your Bible and write the answer.

A Chinese exchange student registering at an American university was puzzled by the question on the entrance form, “What is your religion?” His answer, written in the little English he had learned, was “Confusion.”

There are thousands who know the English language quite well, and who are not followers of Confucius, who could truthfully write that their religion is “Confusion.” They really don’t know what they believe, and furthermore they do not seem to care enough about their belief to discover whether or not it is in accordance with what the Bible teaches. Many have inherited their religion from their parents or grandparents and they have never taken time to study the Bible and its teachings for themselves. Many think that as long as they are sincere they will eventually reach heaven. But sincerity is not enough - we must also be right.

Every teaching comes either from the Source of truth or from the originator of error. We cannot safely follow our feelings, for God has told us, “There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.” *Proverbs 16:25.* We must be certain that we accept Bible truths, not error.

Has God given us any way of knowing what is truth? Is there any way to identify the true church? How can I tell what to do and believe? God has not left us in darkness. Foreseeing this very need He gave us a prophecy that answers the question. Let us study it now.