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- **It's man's idea, not God's. (Colossians 2:8; 2 Peter 3:16-17)**
- **It is not authorized by God. (Colossians 3:17; 2 John 9-11)**
- **It denies the church as being all sufficient for the work that has been placed upon the church by God for it to perform. (Acts 11:29-30; Ephesians 4:11-12; Philippians 4:15)**
- **It fails to distinguish the difference between individual responsibility, and the responsibility of the work of the church. (Galatians 6:10; James 1:27; 1 Timothy 5:16)**
- **It causes contentions and divisions among the people of God. (1 Corinthians 1:10-11; John 17:20-22)**
- **It leads a church to break away from autonomy. (1 Peter 5:2)**
- **It is lawlessness. (Matthew 7:21-23; 1 John 3:4)**

What Must I Do To Be Saved?

- **Hear the word of God. (Romans 10:17)**
- **Believe in Jesus Christ. (John 8:24)**
- **Repent of your sins. (Acts 17:30)**
- **Confess Jesus Christ before men. (Matthew 10:32)**
- **Be baptized for the remission of sins. (Acts 2:38)**
- **Remain faithful unto death. (Revelation 2:10)**