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- **A sound church will preach the truth, defend the truth and is composed of members who abide in the truth. (1 Timothy 3:15; 2 Timothy 4:2; 2 John 1-2, 9-11)**
- **A sound church is devoted to worshiping our God in spirit and in truth, and will follow the pattern of the early Christians when engaged in worship to God. (John 4:24; Acts 2:42, 20:7; Ephesians 5:19; 1 Cor. 16:1-2)**
- **A sound church wears the name of Christ, and has members who call themselves “Christians.” (Matthew 16:18; Acts 11:26; Romans 16:16)**

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- **A sound church has men who serve as evangelist, elders, and deacons. They do not permit women to serve in such a position. (1 Timothy 2:2, 3:1-7, 8-13)**
- **A sound church will not tolerate sin among it's members, and will practice corrective discipline upon those members who continually walk disorderly. (1 Corinthians 5:1-6; Ephesians 5:27; 2 Thessalonians 3:6,14)**

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- **A sound church will not be involved in or engaged in the unauthorized use of the Lord's money. They will not use the church treasury to support orphan homes, colleges, or missionary societies.
(Romans 12:13; 15:26; Philippians 4:15-16)**
- **A sound church will not be involved in the promoting of things such as food, fun, and frolic, but rather will focus upon the preaching of the gospel of Christ.
(Romans 1:16; 14:17; Colossians 3:17)**

God's Plan of Salvation

- **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. (Matthew 10:32)**
- **Be baptized for the remission of your sins. (Acts 2:38)**
- **Remain faithful unto death. (Revelation 2:10)**