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We believe that the Church is composed of all who are united by the Holy Spirit to the risen and ascended Son of God, and that "by the same Spirit we are all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles", thus being members one of another and knit together in love.

Romans 12:5; Ephesians 4:3-10; 1 Corinthians 12:12-27; Colossians 2:19

From the Article and its associated verses, discuss the following questions:

- At work, you meet a new co-worker. Over lunch, you mention that you're a Christian, to which they reply "Really, so am I! I've been a Christian for over 4 years now." When you ask them what church they attend, they respond, "Church? Forget about church… there's many people I know who call themselves Christians and show up at church every Sunday, but are real hypocrites when it comes to their daily lives. Besides, what's the point of meeting up every week anyways? I get my Christian dose from those evangelists on TV every Sunday morning. Besides, I read the Bible by myself, and I pray once and a while as well, so I can just go it alone." What would be your response?

- A Christian friend whom you've grown up with, one day comes to you and tells you that they plan to leave the church to find another one to worship at, mainly because the church isn't 'meeting their needs' any longer. How would you respond to them?