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"And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment"

(Philippians 1:9).

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"There are, it may be, so many kinds of voices"
(First Corinthians 14:10).

Who Should We Believe?

The Universal Church Virus



What Is A Virus?

A virus is an infectious agent that has a destructive effect on the system of our body. In recent years the system that God gave concerning how we are to do His work has been infected with a virus that has had a destructive effect on the cause of Christ.

"All Things Done Decently And In Order"

In First Corinthians 14:40 God demands that *"all things be done decently and in order."* The word decently means *"to conform with an acceptable standard of behavior."* We are to determine what is acceptable unto the Lord.

Romans 12:1, "acceptable unto God."

Romans 12:2, acceptable will of God."

Romans 14:8, "acceptable to God."

Ephesians 5:10, "acceptable unto the Lord."

Philippians 4:18, "acceptable...to God."

First Peter 2:5, "acceptable to God."

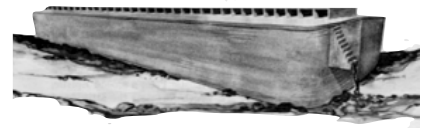
First Peter 2:20, "acceptable with God."

First Timothy 5:4, "acceptable before God."

First Timothy 2:3, "acceptable in the sight of God."

The phrase "in order" occurs thirty times in the Word of God. The Greek word used in First Corinthians 14:40 is *taxis*. It is used ten times in the New Testament and always in the context of God's structure for the priesthood or the local church.

Noah's Ark



Every detail of Noah's Ark was to be constructed according to God's directions. In Genesis 6:15 God said *"And this is the fashion which thou shalt make it."* After Noah got the directions we read in Genesis 6:22. **"Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he."**

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The Assembly In The Wilderness



Every detail of the assembly in the wilderness was to be according to the plan of God. *“All things”* were to be done *“decently and in order.”* Everything was to be done according to God’s standard. Moses was directed by God to *“Make this tabernacle and all its furnishings exactly like the pattern I will show you”* (Exodus 25:9). We read **“And Moses did so: as the LORD commanded him, so did he.”**



The Temple In Jerusalem

Every detail of worship in the temple at Jerusalem was also to be done according to God’s directions. All was to be *“acceptable unto the Lord.”*



The Local Church

In First Timothy 3:14,15 we read *“These things write I unto thee...that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.”* We have specific instructions concerning how God wants His work done today.

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“God’s Church Manual” - Click Here).**

We followed God’s plan for about 2000 years; however, in recent years we have decided to do that which is right in our own eyes. God’s plan has been infected with a virus called the universal church.

The universal church dogma has proven to be satan’s pathway of apostasy.

Spoiled Through Philosophy And The Tradition of Men

“Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ” (Colossians 2:8).

A philosophy is *“a theory held by a person or organization that acts as a guiding principle for behavior.”* If we follow the philosophy or the tradition of men we will be doing God’s work in a manner contrary to His Word.

Isaiah 55:8 says,

“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.”

“Beware Lest Any Man...”

When God warned us to beware of *“any man”* who would introduce human philosophy or tradition His warning included C.I. Scofield and the destructive way he handled the Greek word *ekklesia* in his footnotes. Scofield came up with his own personal definition of the word, changing it when he felt like it and his unsound universal church virus has done great harm to the cause of Christ. Scofield opened the door to the apostasy of our day. The universal church teaching is in direct opposition to God’s clear instructions concerning the local church.

Why Is The Universal Church Teaching So Widely Accepted?

There are many reasons. We will discuss a few of them.

Too Lazy To Study

I can’t speak for all who have accepted this error; however, I can speak for why I accepted it for about forty years. I was simply too lazy to study the Word of God for myself. It was much easier to read a few comments from Scofield than to study. Lately I have found out that Solomon was right when he said, *“much study is a weariness of the flesh.”*

If My Hero Said It, I accepted It As Truth

I simply ignored the fact that the Bereans were commended because they searched the Scriptures daily to see if what Paul said was true.

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The Rejection of Knowledge Because It Didn't Line Up With My Plans

Second Timothy 1:9 says to the pastor God has,

"Called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose."

For many years I worked very hard at accomplishing *my* purpose for *His* church.

In Hosea's day God's people rejected knowledge and paid a tragic price for their disobedience.

Hosea 4:6,

"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge."

The problem in Hosea's day was not that knowledge was not available, the problem was the knowledge God had for His people was rejected. So it is today. The reason the universal church theory is so widely accepted is because many preachers, like myself, would rather spend forty seconds reading Bible footnotes or forty minutes reading a commentary rather than forty hours studying the Word of God.

Christians have accepted the unscriptural teaching of the universal church because they have been taught this nonsense by pastors in our local churches and teachers at Bible colleges. Any pastor or Bible college teacher who will take the time to study the Word of God will find that the universal church teaching is unsound doctrine.

People Also Rejected Knowledge

Hosea continued saying *"And there shall be, like people, like priest"* (v.9). The people were like the leadership. So it is today. The Word of God sits closed on a shelf while parents and their children spend hour after hour watching television. God plainly warned us saying, *"because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee...I will also forget thy children"* (v.6).

The Rejection of Authority

Another reason the universal church doctrine is so widely accepted is because people hate authority.

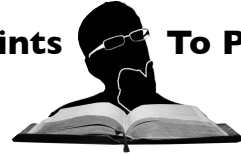
Hebrews 13:17 commands the Christian to,

"Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you."



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Points To Ponder



The New Testament contains much instruction concerning how things should be done in our local churches. There is no instruction in the New Testament for any ministry being organized outside of the authority of the local church.

God wrote, "Pastoral Epistles" giving details to Pastors as to how God wanted Pastors to get things done in the local church. He gave no epistles for College Presidents, Newspaper Editors, Radio Pastors, TV Pastors, Mission Board Directors, City-Wide Crusade Organizers, Seminar Conductors, or any other para-church organization.

All instructions in the New Testament for serving God are given in the context of serving under the authority of the local church. There are no instructions for discipline of any Christians in a para-church organization.

All missionaries in the New Testament were sent out by the local church. The Communion Service was only administered in a local church setting. Baptism is an ordinance given only to the local church. All offerings in the New Testament were handled through the local church.

In all of the New Testament nobody organized any ministries outside of the local church. The only authority structure given in the New Testament concerning service for God is given in the context of the local church. The only meetings recorded in the New Testament that were organized for the promotion of spiritual things were in the local church setting. The only ministry Jesus sanctioned for the carrying on of His work was the local church.

The only agency given in the New Testament for the teaching of doctrine is the local church. All decisions made concerning the promotion of the Gospel of Jesus Christ were made in a local church context. The only place ordained of God in the New Testament for the making of disciples was the local church. The only organization in the New Testament, sanctioned of God for teaching was the local church. Christ promised the gates of Hell shall not prevail against the local church. He made no such promise for any other organization outside of the local church. The Bible says the local church is *"the pillar and ground of the truth."* God sanctioned no other organization for this purpose. The only ordination services in the New Testament were in the local church.

**For about 2000 years we did it
God's way and reaped God's
blessings.**

To obey is to submit to pastoral authority. People have always hated authority.

Judges 17:6,

"In those days there was no king (authority) in Israel, but every man did that which was right in his own eyes."

The universal church has no authority figure and God's people, especially the leaders, "love to have it so" (Jeremiah 5:31).

Rejection of Discipline

Another reason the universal church doctrine is so widely accepted is because people do not want to be disciplined for their sin. The Bible is very clear about church discipline. Not only do people in the congregation shy away from discipline, the average independent Baptist pastor does too. Church discipline is an unpleasant God-given responsibility for the pastor.

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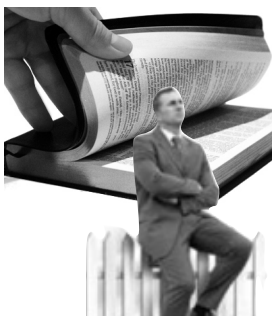
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We cannot sit on the fence concerning the end time issues we face today and expect our young people to survive!

There is no mention of a universal church in the Bible. It is completely man invented; it is completely unscriptural

Matthew 16:18, "I will build my church."

Much has been written in an effort to make this passage refer to the so called universal church. If that is true why did Jesus say in the very next time He mentioned the church,

"Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother. But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established. And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell it unto the church."

Tell it to a universal church??? How can we do that? Should we just open the window and yell out the problem and hope Christians all over the world will hear it. Should we listen for thousands of Christians to yell back their answer? Should we take the advice of the Pentecostal Christians or the Brethren or the Calvinists?

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“That I May Discern”

*“Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge
thy people, that I may discern between good and bad.”*

(First Kings 3:9)

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