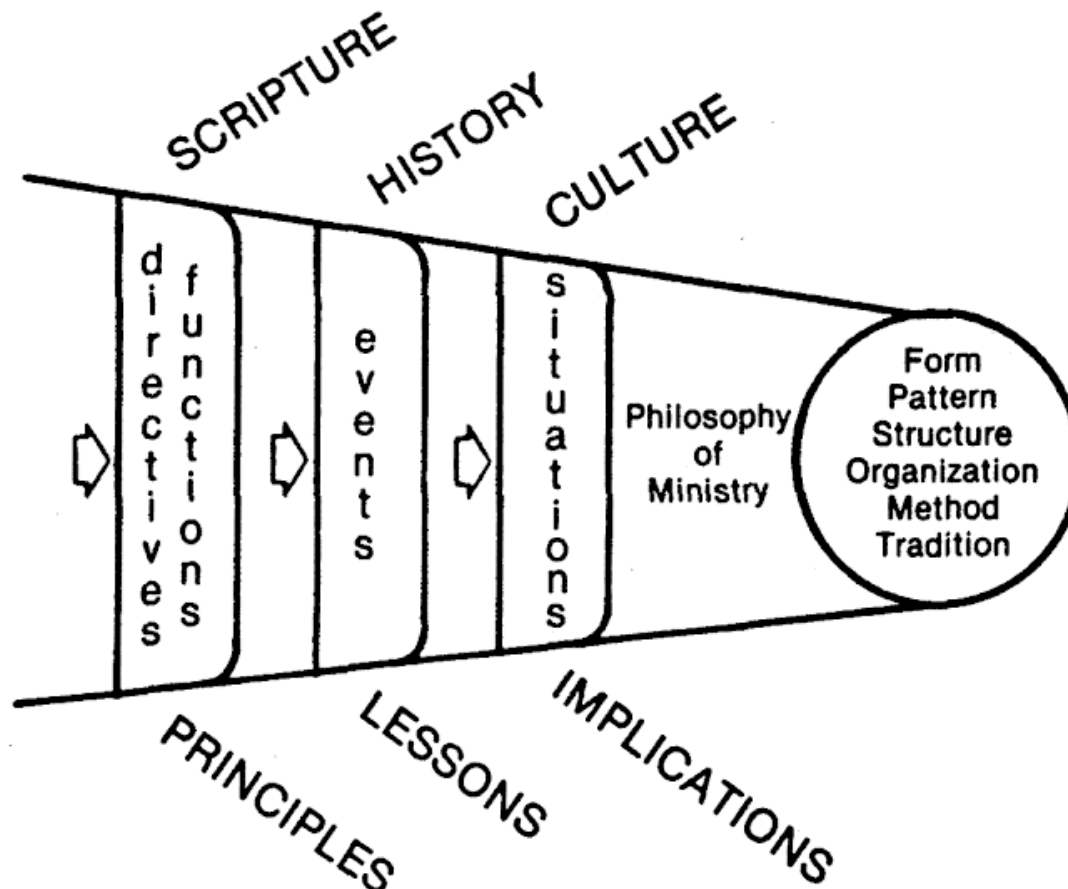


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The Three Lenses

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- ▶ Ekklesia – “Church” – Called out ones
- ▶ Sunagoge – “Synagogue” – Lead together
- ▶ Kuriacon – Of the Lord – “Kirche” in german

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## The Church Defined

The community of **true** believers for all time

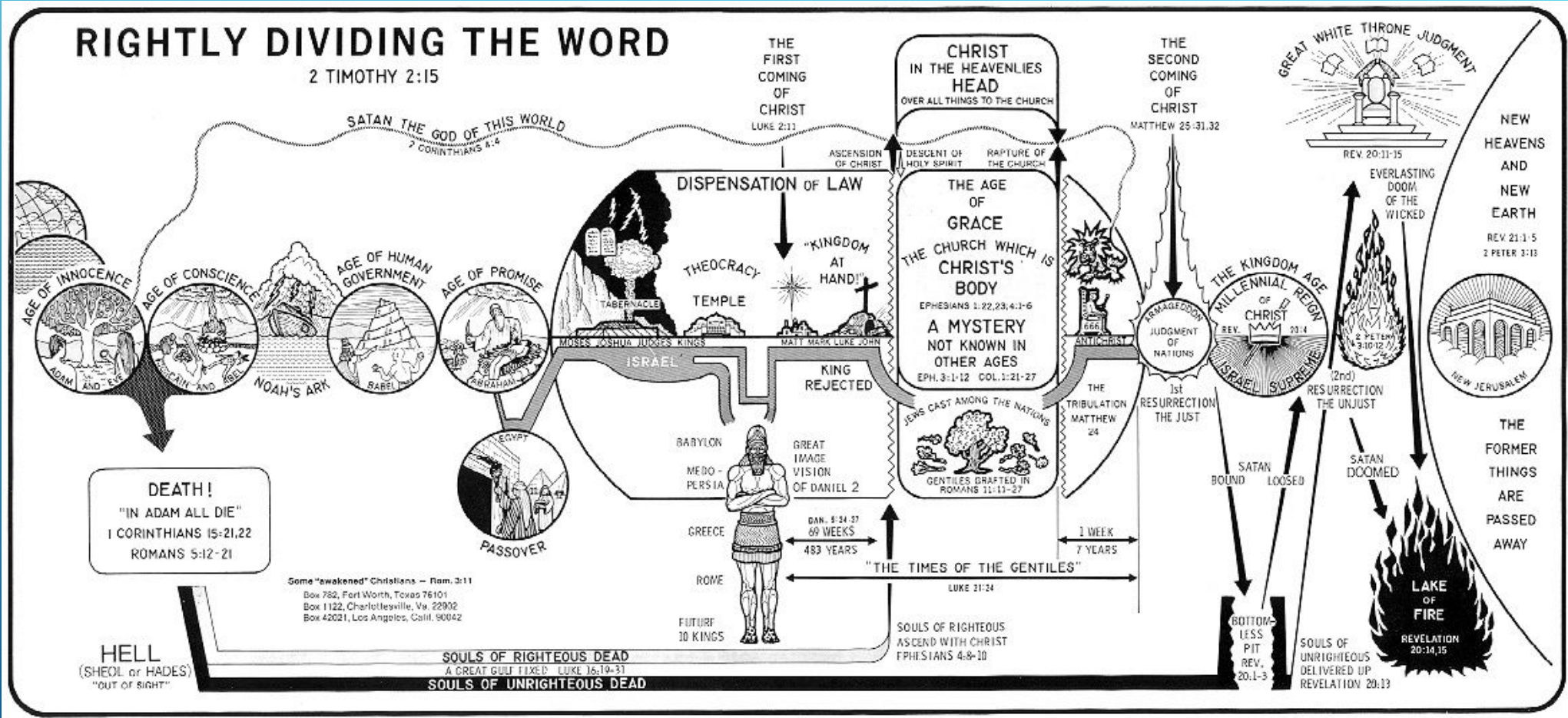
The Church – The body of people called by God's grace through faith in Christ to glorify Him together by serving Him in this world

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## **3 Manifestations**

- ▶ Local – 1 Cor 1:2, 1Thess 1:1, Rev 1:4
- ▶ At Large – Worldwide Mt 16:18, Eph 5:24-25, Heb 12:23
- ▶ Throughout History – Eph 3:15 (catholic/universal)

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## Paul's 2 Revelations

1. The Gospel of Grace: Gal. 1:11-12

2. The Church as the Body: Eph 3:1-6, 1Cor 12:12-13

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People of God – 1Pt 2:9, 1Pt 2:4-6

New Creation – 2Cor 5:17

A fellowship – 1Cor 1:2

Body of Christ - 1Cor 10:17, 1Cor 12, Eph 3:6 , Acts 9:4

**The Kingdom of God**

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## Attributes

- ▶ **One**
  - ▶ **Holy**
  - ▶ **Universal**
  - ▶ **Apostolic**
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