

Series: Rediscovering the Local Church
Membership and the Local Church
Text: Various Selections

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Main Idea: *Church membership is a formal relationship between a church and a Christian characterized by the church's affirmation and oversight of a Christian's discipleship and the Christian's submission to living out his or her discipleship in the care of the church.*

Sermon Outline:

I. The History of the Free Church

II. The Witness of the New Testament

A. How Can we Build a Case for Church Membership when it is Never Mentioned in the Bible?

B. How Does the New Testament Describe A Christian's Relationship with the Local Church?

III. Conclusion