



# CHURCH WHAT IS IT?

OCTOBER 2, 2016



# EKKLESIA

- THE CALLED OUT ONES
- AN ASSEMBLY

# UNIVERSAL CHURCH

- JOHN 3:16
- 1 CORINTHIANS 1:2
- ACTS 9:31
- *EKKLESIA*=CHURCH=THE CALLED OUT  
ONES EVERYWHERE

# LOCAL CHURCH

- PAUL'S LETTERS
  - CHURCHES: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:2, GALATIANS 1:2, 1 THESSALONIANS 1:1, PHILEMON 2
  - SAINTS: ROMAN 1:7, EPHESIANS 1:1, PHILIPPIANS 1:1, COLOSSIANS 1:2
  - 2 JOHN 1
  - REVELATION 2 & 3
  - EKKLESIA=CHURCH=AN ASSEMBLY

# CORE DOCTRINES

- THE APOSTLE'S CREED
- CEDARCREEK STATEMENT OF FAITH  
(CCREEK.ORG)
  - THE BIBLE
  - GOD
  - SALVATION
  - JESUS CHRIST
  - THE HOLY SPIRIT
  - HUMAN DESTINY
  - THE CHURCH
  - FAITH & PRACTICE

# DISTINCTIVES

- CORE VALUES
  - GREAT COMMISSION
  - SMALL GROUPS
  - CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT
  - STRONG FAMILIES
  - LOCAL LEADERSHIP
  - FINANCIAL FAITHFULNESS
  - CHURCH-WIDE MINISTRY



A black and white photograph of a residential area. In the foreground, the dark silhouettes of bare tree branches frame a row of houses with gabled roofs and dark shutters. Behind them, a church with a tall, thin steeple rises into a bright, overexposed sky. The overall composition is moody and atmospheric.

**REAL LIFE IS LOCAL**