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**WHAT IS A VALID
CHURCH?**

**IS THE CATHOLIC
CHURCH THE ONLY
TRUE CHURCH?**

“The Church is the
Temple of the Holy
Spirit” (CCC 809)

“This is the sole
Church of
Christ”
(CCC 811)

“For it is through Christ’s Catholic Church alone, which is the universal hope toward salvation, that the fullness of the means of salvation can be obtained” (CCC 816)

1 Corinthians 3:16–17

“Do you not know
that you are God's
temple and that God's
Spirit dwells in you?”

Ephesians

1:22-23

“the church,
which is his body”

1 Corinthians

12:27-31 “Now you
are the body of Christ
and individually
members of it.

Are all
churches valid?

What constitutes a
true church?

Does salvation come
through a church or
through Jesus?

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