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THE

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The Church IS A Family.

“The Church as a family is on almost every page of the New Testament...”

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Elohim
“In the beginning **God**”

Genesis 1:1

Elohim

“Then God said, ‘Let Us make man
in Our image, after Our likeness’”

Genesis 1:26

perichoresis:
a circle dance





“They worshiped together regularly at the Temple each day, met in small groups in homes for Communion, and shared their meals with great joy and thankfulness, praising God continually, and having favor with all the people. **And the Lord kept adding to their number daily those who were being saved.”**

(Acts 2:45-46 LB)

“The LORD God said, ‘It is not good for the man to be alone...’”

(Genesis 2:18)

“How **good and pleasant it is when God’s
people live together in unity!”**

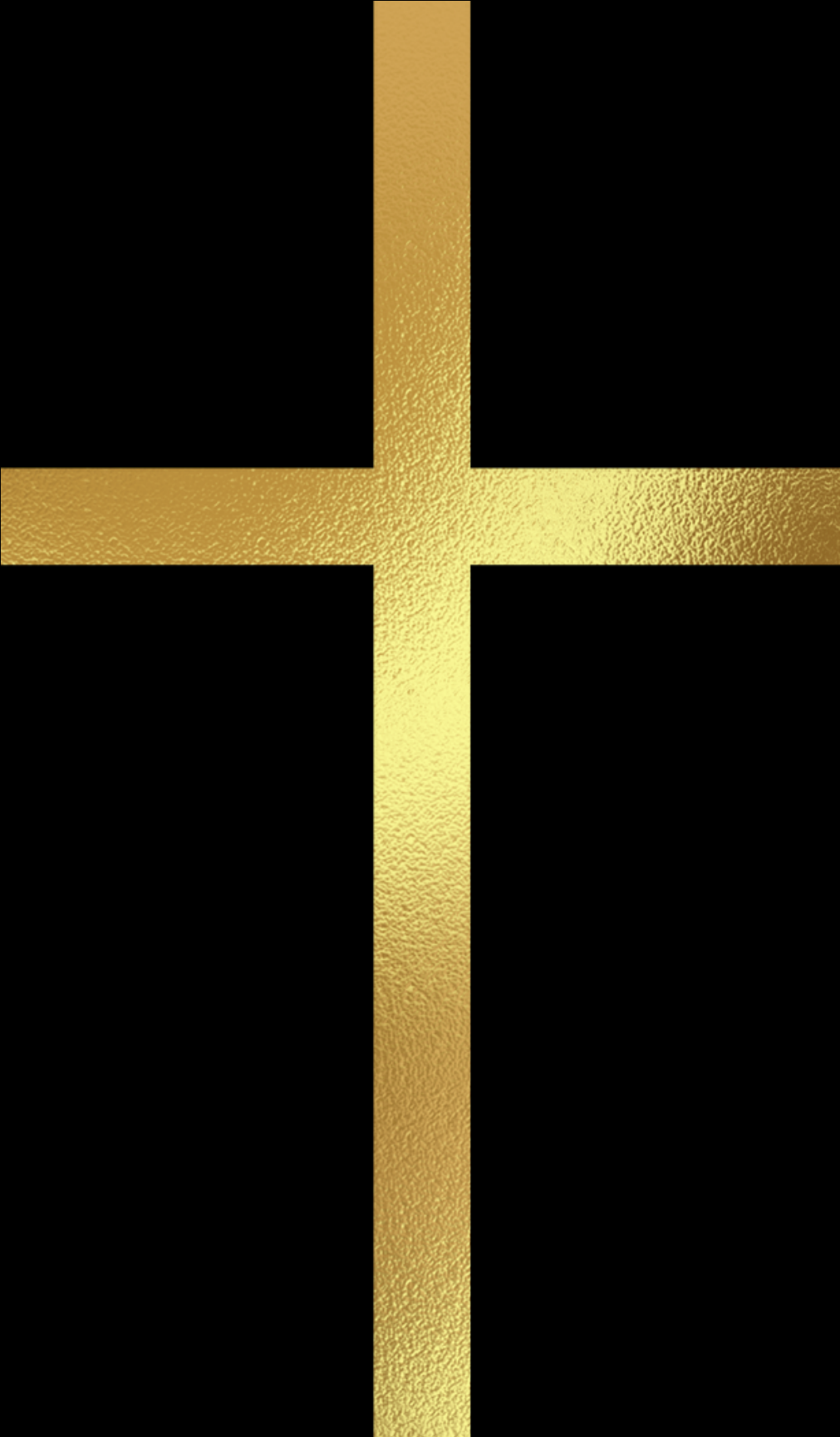
(Psalm 133:1)

- “***Our*** Father” (Matthew 6:9)
- “(Jesus is) the firstborn among ***many*** brothers and sisters.” (Romans 8:29).





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“For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”

(2 Corinthians 5:21)

“Now you are the **body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.”**

1 Corinthians 12:27

CHURCH AS RESTAURANT



CHURCH AS A SHOW





CHURCH AS CORPORATION



THE CHURCH AS A FAMILY

HOW DO WE MEASURE SUCCESS?

A. Restaurant?

B. Show?

C. Corporation?

D. Family?

“If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a ringing gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have absolute faith so as to move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and exult in the surrender of my body, but have not love, I gain nothing.”

(1 Corinthians 13:1-3)

“If the Holy Spirit was withdrawn from the church today, 95 percent of what we do would go on and no one would know the difference. If the Holy Spirit had been withdrawn from the New Testament church, 95 percent of what they did would stop, and everybody would know the difference.”

- A.W. Tozer