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What The Bible Says Good Samaritan's Penny Pulpit by Pastor Ed Rice

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When you get saved your added to the family of God, not the Church of God. There is no catholic, universal, invisible church that you are a part of until you show up at a 'gathering' of believers and unite with that local Church. Christ our passover lamb ushered us into a period of 'unleavened bread', where a burnt offering is a reasonable service, where sin is atoned, and where a holy convocation happens every Lord's day.A

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