

ECCLESIOLOGY

**N.D. in
Paris**



**Byzantine Basilica B
at Philippi**



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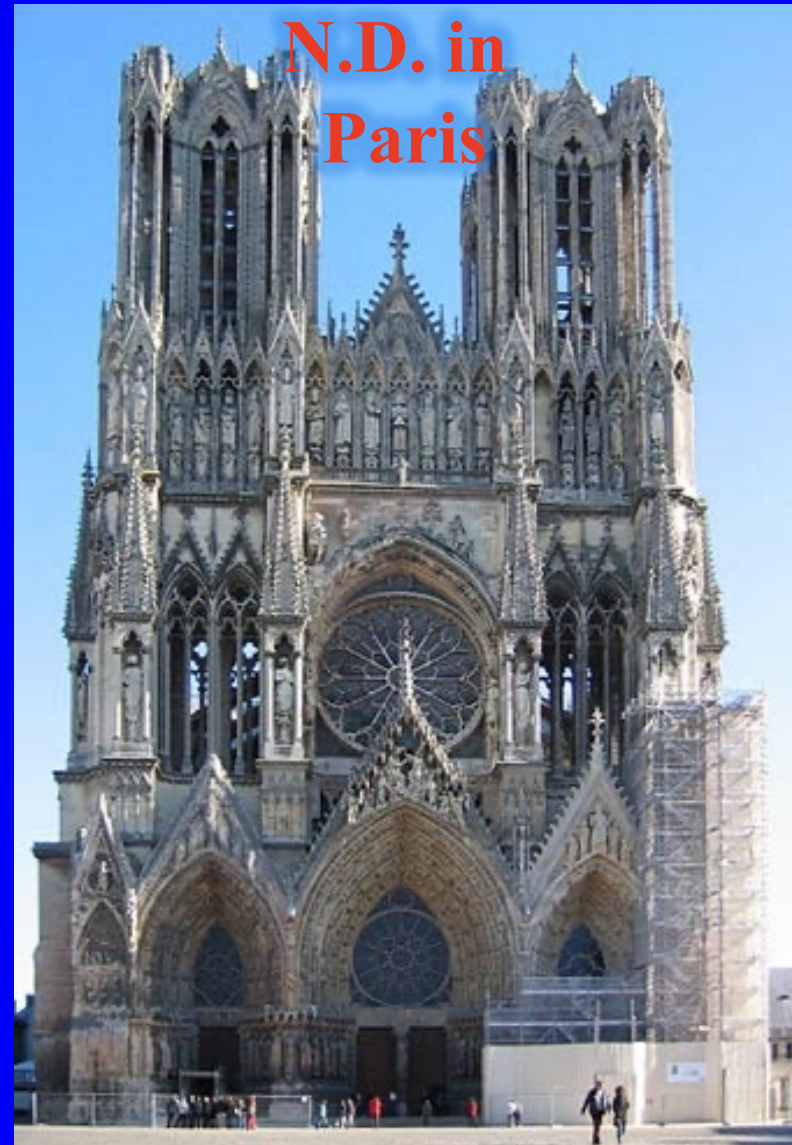
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I. Introduction

A. Issues

B. Importance

C. Term



USAGE

ἐκκλησία

1. **Common - assembly**
Act 19:23-29, 32, 34-41
2. **Israel - assembly**
Act 7:38, Heb 2:12 (quote)
3. **Theological - church,**
assembly of believers

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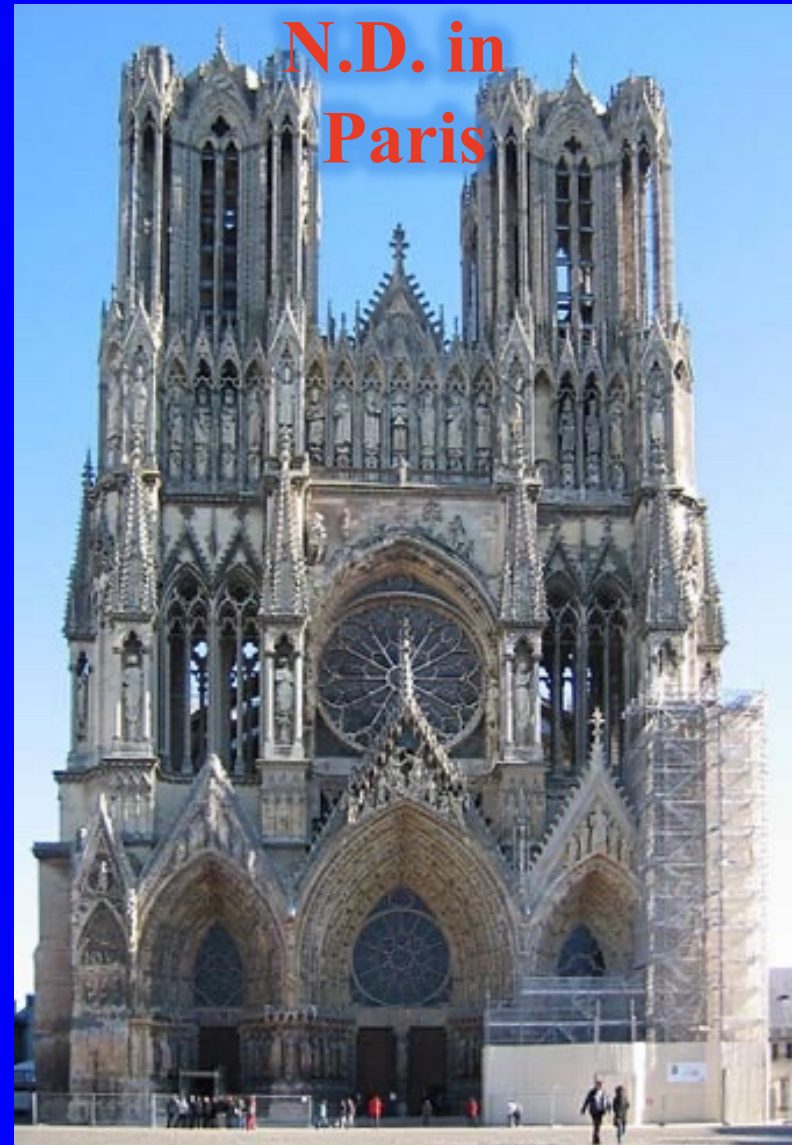
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UNIVERSAL CHURCH

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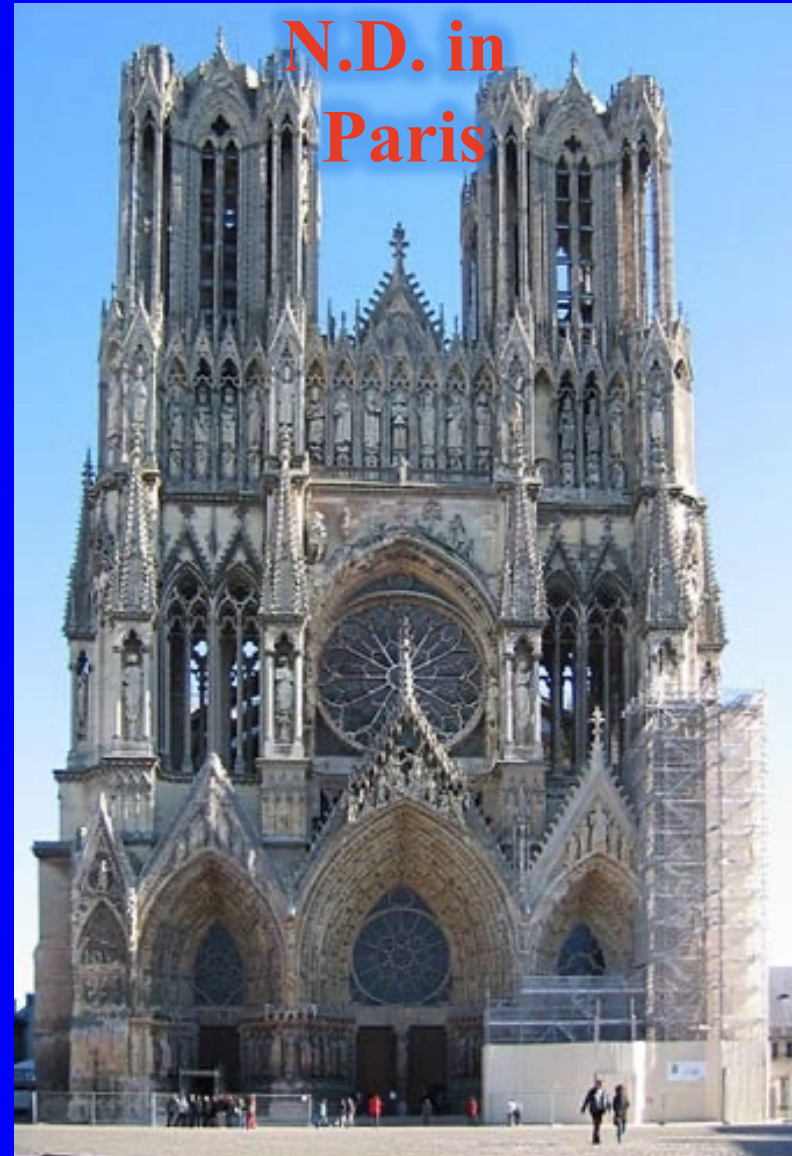
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E. Origin



ORIGIN

1. Heavenly - Act 1:8-11

ASCENSION

An aerial photograph of Jerusalem, showing a dense urban landscape with a mix of traditional and modern buildings. In the foreground, a large Russian Orthodox church with a prominent dome and several golden onion domes is visible, surrounded by tall, slender cypress trees. A road with traffic runs through the middle ground, and the city extends to the hills in the background under a clear sky.

➤ Predicted -

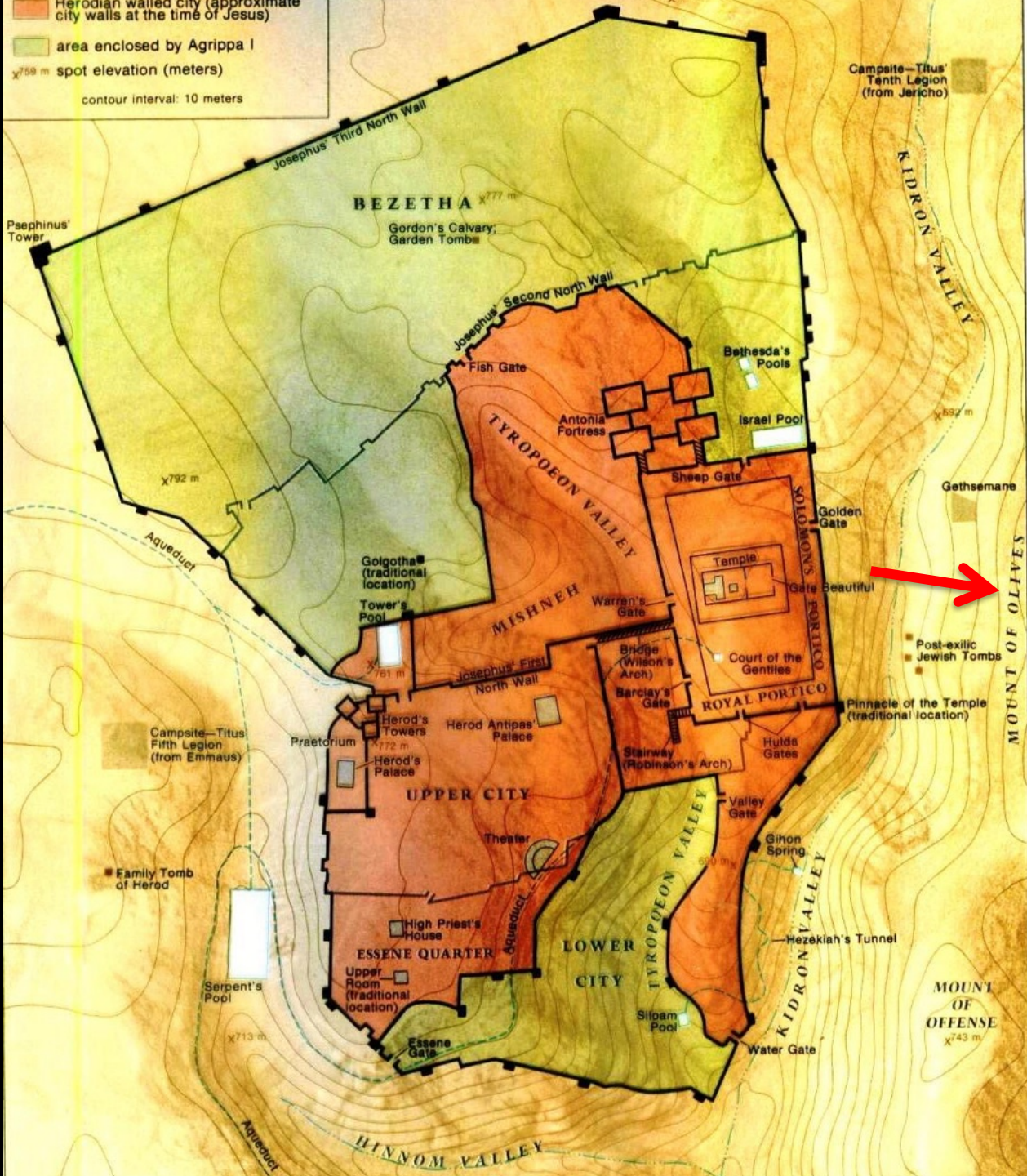
Jn 6:61-62

➤ Described -

Act 1:8-11

**Dominus Flevit &
Russian Orthodox
Church**

Herodian walled city (approximate city walls at the time of Jesus)
 area enclosed by Agrippa I
 x769 m spot elevation (meters)
 contour interval: 10 meters



Mt of Olives



Mt of Olives



**Mosque of the
Ascension**



Dominus Fleuit





**Russian Orthodox
Church of
Mary Magdalene**

ASCENSION

➤ Predicted -

Jn 6:61-62

➤ Described -

Act 1:8-11

➤ Session -

Eph 1:20-22

➤ Sovereign

Dominus Flevit &
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ORIGIN

1. **Heavenly - Act 1:8-11**
2. **Earthly - Act 2**

PENTECOST

➤ Outline



OUTLINE – 2:14-42

1. Evidence

2:1-4

PENTECOST

- Outline
- Evidence



MIRACLES

- Audible - wind
- Visual - tongues of fire
- Mental - languages

OUTLINE – 2:14-42

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| 1. Evidence | 2:1-4 |
| 2. Effect | 2:5-13 |



OUTLINE – 2:14-42

- 1. Evidence** **2:1-4**
- 2. Effect** **2:5-13**
- 3. Exposition** **2:14-42**









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CROSS (Act 2:23)

- **No Accident**
- **ὀρίζω - Predetermined**
- **βουλή - Plan**
- **πρόγνωσης - Foreknowledge**
- **Man's Sin**

OUTLINE – 2:14-42

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|-------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Evidence | 2:1-4 |
| 2. Effect | 2:5-13 |
| 3. Exposition | 2:14-42 |
| 4. Establishment | 2:43-47 |

PENTECOST

- **Background**
- **Outline**
- **Essence**



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I. Introduction

II. Concept

A. Universal



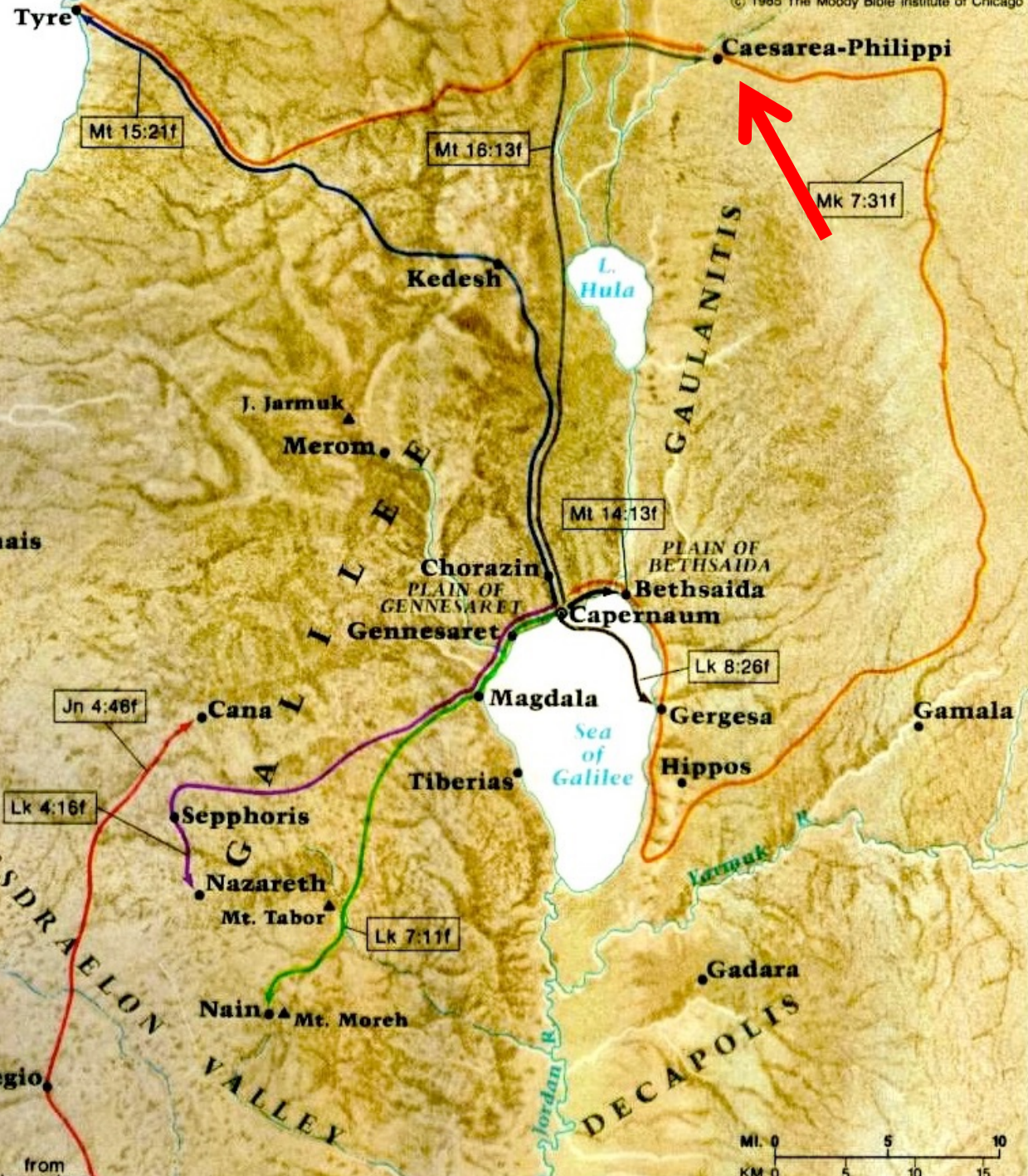
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1. Basis

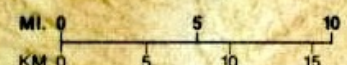
Eph 4:4 There is **one body** and **one Spirit**-- just as you were called to **one hope** when you were called--

Heb 12:23 to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in **heaven**...

- city
- ⊙ Jesus' headquarters
- ▲ mountain peak
- Jesus preaches in synagogue at Nazareth
- Jesus heals in Lower Galilee
- Jesus returns from Jerusalem and heals in Cana of Galilee
- Jesus preaches in district of Caesarea-Philippi
- Jesus crosses over Sea of Galilee to country of Gergesenes
- Jesus journeys into district of Tyre and Sidon
- Jesus preaches in Decapolis
- Jesus performs wonders near Bethsaida



Mediterranean Sea



πέτρα = rock



Mt 16:13-19

Πέτρος = stone



BASIS - Mt 16

- 1. Foundation - Christ**
- 2. Initiator - I**
- 3. Certainty - I will**
- 4. Process - build**
- 5. Possessor - My**
- 6. Nature - assembly**
- 7. Protection - hell**
- 8. Cost - blood**

UNIVERSAL

1. **Basis**
2. **Meaning**

BASIC VIEWS

- **Covenant -
Israel = Church**

COVENANT

Israel = OT Church Church = Spiritual Israel



Beware of
Replacement -> Antisemitism
Theology

COVENANT SUPPORT

1. **LXX use of ἐκκλησία**
2. **Church = Israel - Rom 2:28–29**
3. **Stephen - Act 7**
4. **Tribes of dispersion - Jas 1:1**
5. **Uniting Jew/Gentile - Eph 2:12-16**

BASIC VIEWS

- **Covenant -
Israel = Church**
- **Dispensational -
distinction between
Israel & Church**

DISPENSATIONAL



DISTINCTIONS

- 1. Nation vs. Organism**
- 2. Purposes**
- 3. Work of HS**
- 4. Different Ages**

DIFFERENT AGES

- 1. Israel - nation with covenants**
- 2. Church - mystery**
- 3. Israel in blindness - until rapture**
- 4. Presence of evil**
- 5. Conversion of Israel - future**

DISTINCTIONS

- 1. Nation vs. Organism**
- 2. Purposes**
- 3. Work of HS**
- 4. Different Ages**
- 5. Function in Kingdom**

SPECIFIC VIEWS

- 1. Roman Catholic**
- 2. Lutheran**
- 3. Presbyterian & Reformed**
- 4. Anglican & Episcopalian**
- 5. Congregational**

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METAPHORS

1. **Flock - Shepherd**

Sheep & Shepherd

A large flock of sheep, including several lambs, is gathered in a green field. The sheep are of various shades of white and cream, with some having darker faces. They are looking in various directions, some towards the camera. The background is a soft-focus green field with a fence line visible in the distance.

Helplessness

METAPHORS

- 1. Flock - Shepherd**
- 2. Branches - Vine**



Union

Vine & Branches

METAPHORS

- 1. Flock - Shepherd**
- 2. Branches - Vine**
- 3. New Creation - 2nd Adam**
- 4. Temple - Cornerstone**



Interdependence & Presence

METAPHORS

- 1. Flock - Shepherd**
- 2. Branches - Vine**
- 3. New Creation - 2nd Adam**
- 4. Temple - Cornerstone**
- 5. Kingdom/Priest - High Priest**
- 6. Bride - Bridegroom**



Intimacy & Fellowship

METAPHORS

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- 2. Branches - Vine**
- 3. New Creation - 2nd Adam**
- 4. Temple - Cornerstone**
- 5. Kingdom/Priest - High Priest**
- 6. Bride - Bridegroom**
- 7. Body - Head**

UNIVERSAL

1. **Basis**
2. **Meaning**
3. **Purpose**

PURPOSE

- 1. Reveal God to heavenly realm**
- 2. Reveal God on earth**
- 3. Reveal & support truth**
- 4. Produce & purify a bride**

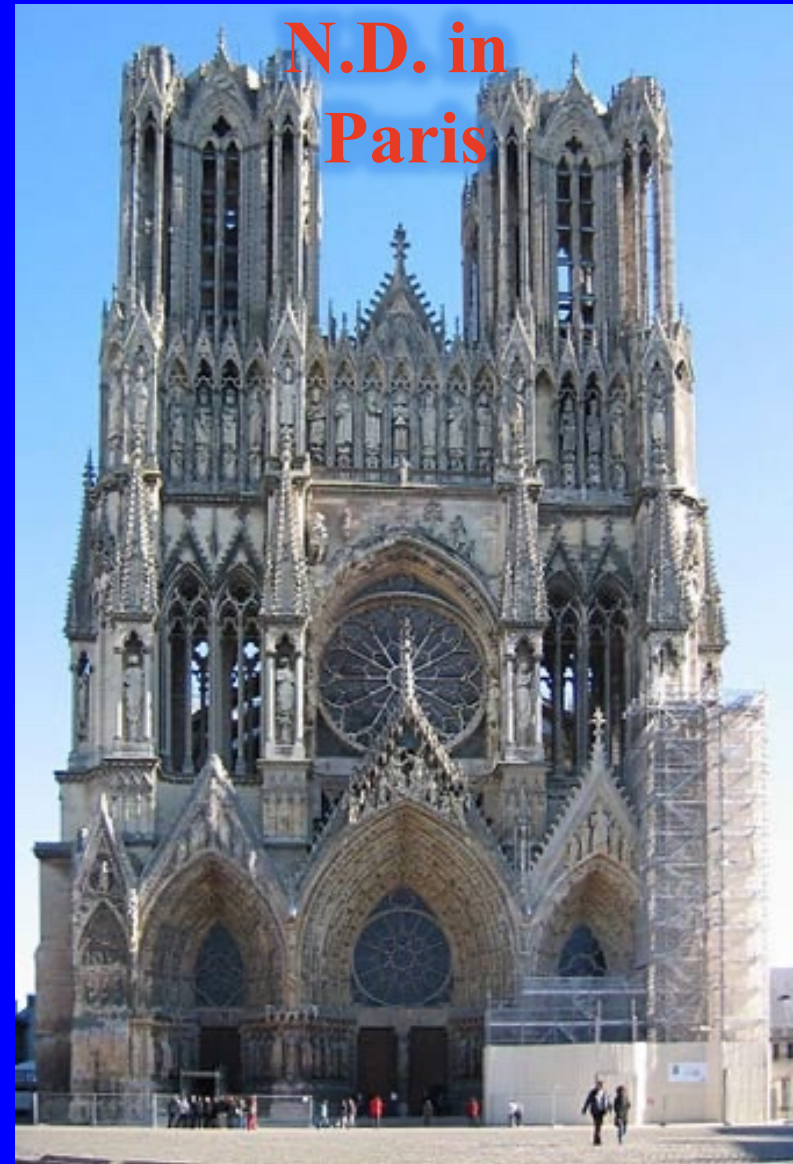
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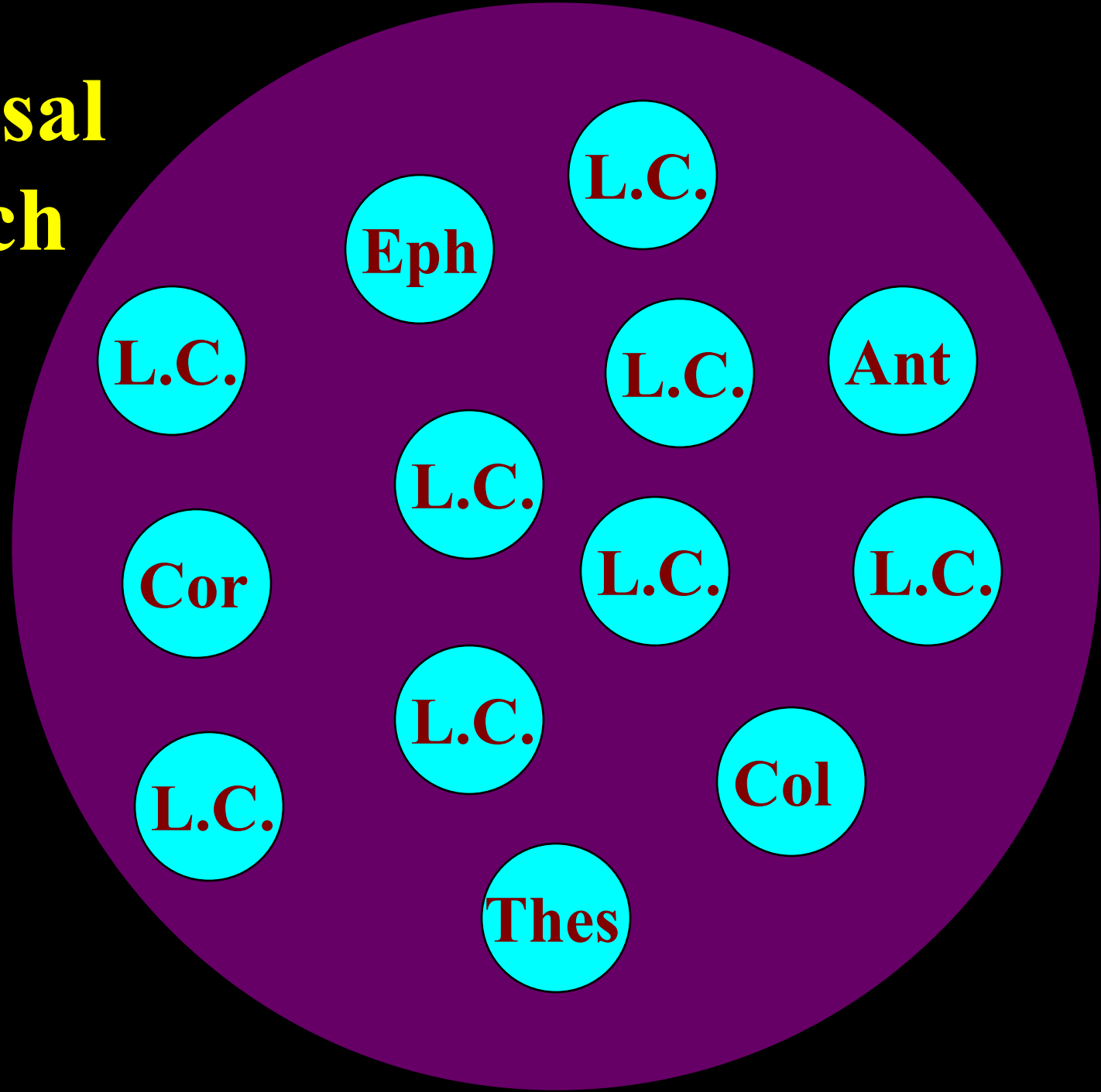
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LOCAL CHURCH

**Believers called together with
a common geography
organized to glorify God and
do His will**

**visible professing church
may contain tares**

Universal Church



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LOCAL CHURCH



1. Meaning
2. Purpose

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PURPOSE

1. **Worship God**
2. **Nurture Body**
3. **Evangelize World**

LOCAL CHURCH



1. Meaning
2. Purpose
3. 1st Century

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1st CENTURY

- **Corinth**
- **Ephesus**
- **Colossae**
- **Thessalonica**
- **Antioch**
- **Caesarea**
- **Laodicea**
- **Galatia**
- **Judea**
- **Syria**
- **Cilicia**
- **Macedonia**
- **Un-named**

LOCAL CHURCH

1. Meaning
2. Purpose
3. 1st Century
4. Organization
 - a. Government

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GOVERNMENT

1. NT Data

NT DATA

- 1. Numbering - 2:41**
- 2. Servants organized - 6:1-7**
- 3. Times of meeting - 1Cor 16:2**
- 4. Relief for poor - 4:32-37**
- 5. Elder appointed - 11:30, 14:23**
- 6. Letter of commendation - 18:24-28**
- 7. Delegated authority - Tim, Tit**

GOVERNMENT

- 1. NT Data**
- 2. Minimal Government**