THE INFALLIBLY SAFE WAY

Introduction:
1. We could call our lesson, "The way that is right and cannot be wrong!"
2. In many things of this life, it is of no great consequence whether we are right or wrong.
3. But, in religion it means the difference between life and death.

I. NO BOOK BUT THE BIBLE
   (1) The Bible will completely furnish us to all good works -- II Tim. 3:16 - 17
      1. Man's idea of good works is not God's -- Matt. 7: 21 - 23; Isa. 55: 8 - 9
   (2) It contains all things that pertain to life and godliness -- II Pet. 1:3
   (3) It will make one free when it is obeyed -- John 8:32; Rom. 6: 17, 18
   (4) It will sanctify -- John 17:17
   (5) It will save your soul -- James 1:21; Psa. 19:7; I Pet. 1:22
   (6) It is inspired of God -- I Cor. 2: 9 - 13
   (7) Creeds and disciplines make void the word -- Matt. 15: 6, 9

II. NO CREED BUT THE CHRIST
   (1) "Creed" means "I believe"
   (2) In Christ we believe and trust.
   (3) Through Him we approach God -- I Tim. 2:5; Heb. 4: 14 - 16; 2: 16 - 18
   (4) In Him the fullness of the Godhead dwells -- Col. 2:9
   (5) We are complete in Him -- Col. 2:10
   (6) He is our King, Ruler, and Lawgiver -- Col. 1:13; Eph. 4:5; James 4:12; Matt. 28:18

III. NO ORGANIZATION BUT THE LOCAL CHURCH
   (1) The only organization the Lord gave the church is the local congregation.
      1. It is Independent, equal, and self-governing
      2. It is made up of elders, deacons and saints -- Phil. 1:1; Acts 14:23
      3. The authority of elders begins and ends with the congregation where they are elders -- I Pet. 5:2; Acts 20:28
         (1) Their work is assigned, not assumed
      (2) All the work the Lord has given to the church is to be done by the local congregation.

IV. NO WORSHIP BUT THAT FOUND IN THE NEW TESTAMENT
   (1) Principles of true worship -- John 4:24
   (2) Items of true worship:
      1. Singing -- Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16
      2. Prayer -- Acts 2:42
3. Giving -- Acts 2:42; I Cor. 16:2
4. Lord’s Supper -- Acts 20:7
5. Teaching -- Acts 20:7; Acts 2:42

V. NO NAME BUT THE NEW NAME
(1) Christian -- Isa. 62:2; Acts 11:26

VI. NO CHURCH BUT THE CHURCH OF CHRIST
(1) The Lord has but one church -- Matt. 16:18; Eph. 4:4, 5
(2) He died but for one -- Eph. 5:25-27; Acts 20:28
(3) The saved are added to this one -- Acts 2:47
(4) The church of Christ is not a denomination
  1. It has no denominational name, creed, or organization

VII. NO PLAN OF SALVATION BUT THE NEW TESTAMENT PLAN
(1) People were taught the gospel -- Matt. 28:19-20
(2) They believed -- Mk. 16:15-16; Heb. 11:6
(3) They repented -- Luke 24:47; Acts 2:38
(4) They confessed -- Acts 8:37; Rom. 10:10
(5) And they were baptized -- Acts 2:41; Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16

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