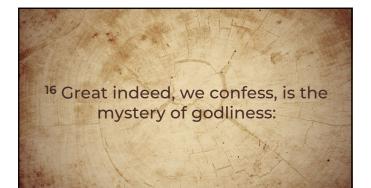


<sup>14</sup> I hope to come to you soon, but I am writing these things to you so that, <sup>15</sup> if I delay, you may know how one ought to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, a pillar and buttress of the truth.



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How Can You Tell if a Church is Doing Things God's Way?

**Four Basic Signs** 

## A People Who Live for Another

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### Acts 17

<sup>24</sup> The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man; <sup>25</sup> nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. <sup>26</sup> And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth. <sup>29</sup> Being then God's offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man.

### **A People Pledged to Truth**

<sup>15b</sup> a pillar and buttress of the truth. <sup>16</sup> Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness:

# A People Who Confess Jesus

<sup>10</sup> And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless.

## Influence Matters to God.

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### The Central Confession of the Gospel

- Manifested = Eternal God
- Vindicated = Risen Savior
- Seen = Confirmed by God
- Proclaimed = Savior to All
- Believed = Life Changing
- Taken = Forever Reigning

Let's Make it Unmistakable Who Our Lives Serve.