**WHAT THE BIBLE TEACHES ABOUT THE CHURCH**

***Study 20 – The Local Church: Organization and Membership***

Introduction-

1. The Nature of the Local Church
2. The Purposes of the Local Church
3. The Organization of the Local Church
4. Its Existence
5. Its Beginning
6. Its Development
7. Arose to Take the Place of Direct Apostolic Authority
8. Grew in Response to New Needs and Problems
9. Assumed Some Definite Forms as the NT Writings Came into Existence
10. Its Nature
11. Some Wrong Ideas about Organization

IV. The Membership of the Local Church

A. The Necessity of Assembling Together

B. The Question of Membership in the New Testament

C. The Qualifications of Membership

1. Regeneration

2. Baptism

3. What about Unsaved Members?