THE QUESTION

Did any early Christian writers call the Church's unity a sacrament?

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The short answer *From the text: says what the passages say*

Yes. Cyprian directly speaks of the sacrament, or sacred mystery, of unity, seen in Christ's untorn robe, the one ark, and the one bread. Other early writers, like Ignatius and Irenaeus, tie unity closely to one baptism and one shared bread, though they do not list unity as a separate rite.

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POINT 1 OF 7

Cyprian names the sacrament of unity

Our note · compiled by machine learning · From the text: says what the passages say

Cyprian uses the very phrase. He sees the Church's unity pictured in Christ's robe, which the soldiers would not tear. Because the robe stayed whole, he says, no one who splits the Church can claim to hold the garment of Christ.

1

"This sacrament of unity, this bond of harmony that holds together and cannot be separated, is shown in the Gospel where the coat of the Lord Jesus Christ was not divided or cut at all."

later in the same passage

"He cannot possess the garment of Christ who parts and divides the Church of Christ."

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Cyprian,** *Treatises* (c. 248–258 AD)
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Unity is a sacred mystery handed down

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Cyprian says the oneness of God, Christ, faith, Church and baptism was handed down to the Church. He reads Noah's ark as a short summary of this sacred mystery: just as only those in the ark were saved through the water, baptism belongs within the one Church.

2

"For this has been handed down to us: there is one God, and one Christ, and one hope, and one faith, and one Church, and one baptism appointed only in the one Church."

later in the same passage

"In a very short and spiritual summary, he has set forth the sacred mystery of unity."

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Cyprian,** *Epistles* (c. 248–258 AD)
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The bread and cup picture a united people

Our note · compiled by machine learning · From the text: says what the passages say

Cyprian says the bread made from many grains and the wine pressed from many grapes point to Christ's people joined into one. Irenaeus makes a similar picture: dry wheat cannot become one loaf without water, and believers are made one in Christ by the Spirit, the water from heaven.

3 “When the Lord calls the bread, made into one by the joining of many grains, His body, He points to our people, whom He bore, as united.”

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Cyprian,** *Epistles* (c. 248–258 AD) **Source 12, page 7** **Read it in the library ›**
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4 “Just as a compacted lump of dough cannot be formed from dry wheat without some liquid, nor can a loaf have unity, we too, being many, could not be united in Christ Jesus without the water from heaven.”

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Irenaeus,** *Against Heresies: Book III* (c. 175–202 AD) **Source 7, page 7** **Read it in the library ›**
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Unity is held together in heavenly sacraments

Our note · compiled by machine learning · From the text: says what the passages say

Cyprian roots the Church's oneness in the oneness of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He calls it a unity that comes from divine power and is held together in heavenly sacraments, so human quarrels cannot rightly split it.

5 “And does anyone believe that this unity, which comes from divine power and is held together in heavenly sacraments, can be divided in the Church and separated by the splitting apart of opposing wills?”

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Cyprian,** *Treatises* (c. 248–258 AD) **Source 15, page 7** **Read it in the library ›**
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Ignatius ties unity to breaking one bread

Our note · compiled by machine learning · Interpretation: our reading of the passages, not their words

Ignatius does not use the word sacrament here, but he links unity with the shared bread. Believers gather with an undivided mind under their leaders and break one bread. He says that when they meet often, their unity of faith defeats Satan's plans.

6 “Come together both collectively and individually, through grace, in one faith of God the Father, and of Jesus Christ His only-begotten Son, and “the first-born of every creature,” but of the seed of David according to the flesh, being under the guidance of the Comforter, in obedience to the bishop and the presbytery with an undivided mind, breaking one and the same bread, which is the medicine of immortality and the antidote which prevents us from dying, but a cleansing remedy driving away evil, resulting in us living in God through Jesus Christ.”

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Ignatius of Antioch,** *Epistle of Ignatius to the Ephesians* (c. 98–117 AD) **Source 2, page 6** Read it in the library ›
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7 “For when you gather frequently in the same place, the powers of Satan are destroyed, and his intended destruction is prevented by the unity of your faith.”

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Ignatius of Antioch,** *Epistle of Ignatius to the Ephesians* (c. 98–117 AD) **Source 3, page 7** Read it in the library ›
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One baptism and one Church mean one faith

Our note · compiled by machine learning · From the text: says what the passages say

A letter under Ignatius' name argues that since there is one God, one Lord, one Spirit, one baptism and one Church, there must be one faith. The Apostolic Constitutions tell bishops to teach the same beliefs so the Church stays one body with no divisions.

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8 “For if there is one God of the universe, the Father of Christ, "of whom are all things;" and one Lord Jesus Christ, our Lord, "by whom are all things;" and also one Holy Spirit, who worked in Moses, and in the prophets and apostles; and also one baptism, which is administered so that we should share in the death of the Lord; and also one chosen Church; there should likewise be but one faith in respect to Christ.”

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Ignatius of Antioch,** *Epistles of Ignatius* (c. 98–117 AD) **Source 4, page 7** Read it in the library ›
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9 “With one agreement, teach those under you to have the same beliefs and the same judgments about the same matters, so that there may be no divisions among you; so that you may be one body and one spirit, perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment, according to 1 Corinthians 1:10 and Ephesians 4:4, by the appointment of the Lord.”

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Apostolic Constitutions** (c. 250–380 AD) **Source 19, page 7** Read it in the library ›
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Breaking unity is treated as a grave sin

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Because unity is so sacred to Cyprian, he warns that those who cause a schism bring ruin on themselves. Lactantius also says the Lord and His messengers warned that sects would arise and break the unity of the sacred body.

10 “Finally, Holy Scripture declares in the books of Kings how inseparable the sacrament of unity is, and how hopeless those are, and what excessive ruin they earn for themselves from the anger of God, who make a schism and, by forsaking their bishop, appoint another false bishop for themselves without authority.”

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Cyprian,** *Epistles* (c. 248–258 AD) **Source 12, page 7** Read it in the library ›
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11 “Before all things, it is fitting for us to know both that He Himself and His ambassadors foretold that there must be many sects and heresies, which would break the unity of the sacred body, and that they warned us to be on our guard with the greatest prudence, lest we should ever fall into the snares and deceits of our adversary, with whom God has willed that we should contend.”

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITER **Lactantius,** *Divine Institutes* 30 (c. 290–320 AD) **Source 20, page 7** **Read it in the library ›**
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THE LIMITS

What these passages don’t tell us

- These passages do not list unity as one of a fixed number of sacraments next to baptism and the Eucharist.
- Among these writers, only Cyprian uses the word sacrament for unity; the others describe unity without that word.
- A word-for-word match shows that a quotation really is in our text. It does not show that our reading of it is right, or who wrote each work.

WHERE EVERY QUOTE CAME FROM

The Sources

The 22 early Christian passages and 117 Bible verses we kept for this question (repeats and weak or off-topic search hits were left out): early Christian passages first (sources 1–22, grouped by writer, earliest first), then Bible verses in The Faith Once Delivered Bible (sources 23–104, in Bible order), then 35 more verses THF links to these passages, by reference. **Quote 1, page 2** beside a source shows where the study quotes it. Passages are in THF’s updated English unless marked “1885 English” (the Roberts–Donaldson translation, public domain). “… [continues online]” marks a passage the library gave only in part. **On paper?** At **thehistoricfaith.com**, Bible verses are in the **Audio Bible** and early Christian writings in the **Library** (search for the title).

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITERS *22 passages from 10 writers*

Hermas, *c. 90–150 AD · source 1*

1 *Shepherd* (1885 English) “like manner also shall it be with the Church of God, after it has been purified, and has rejected the wicked, and the hypocrites, and the blasphemers, and the waverers… [continues online] **read ›**

Ignatius of Antioch, *c. 98–117 AD · sources 2–5*

2 *Epistle of Ignatius to the Ephesians* (1885 English) **Quote 6, page 4** “ye all come together in common, and individually, through grace, in one faith of God the Father, and of Jesus Christ His only-begotten Son, and “the first-born of… [continues online] **read ›**

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3 *Epistle of Ignatius to the Ephesians* (1885 English) **Quote 7, page 4** "when ye assemble frequently in the same place, the powers of Satan are destroyed, and the destruction at which he aims is prevented by the unity of your faith… [continues online] **read ›**

4 *Epistles of Ignatius* (1885 English) **Quote 8, page 5** "also one elect Church; there ought likewise to be but one faith in respect to Christ… [continues online] **read ›**

5 *Epistle to the Magnesians* (on point 5) "there be one common supplication, one mind, one hope, with… [continues online] **read ›**

Irenaeus, *c. 175–202 AD · sources 6–7*

6 *Against Heresies: Book IV* (1885 English; on point 6) "without Him was nothing made;" and the Apostle Paul [says] in like manner, "There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father, who is above all, and… [continues online] **read ›**

7 *Against Heresies: Book III* **Quote 4, page 3** compacted lump of dough cannot be formed from dry wheat without some liquid, nor can a loaf have unity, we too, being many, could not be united in Christ Jesus… [continues online] **read ›**

Clement of Alexandria, *c. 190–215 AD · sources 8–10*

8 *Stromata* 4.8 "these considerations, the unity of the faith is clear, and it is shown… [continues online] **read ›**

9 *Stromata* 6.13 "so both meet in the one unity of faith… [continues online] **read ›**

10 *Stromata* 6.9 (1885 English) "is a relation of affection, restoring the Gnostic to the unity of the faith — independent of time and place… [continues online] **read ›**

Early Liturgies, *c. 200–400 AD · source 11*

11 *Divine Liturgy of St. James* 1 "prayed for the unity of the faith and the communion of His all-holy and adorable Spirit… [continues online] **read ›**

Cyprian, *c. 248–258 AD · sources 12–18*

12 *Epistles* **Quotes 3, 10, pages 3, 5** this, the Lord's own sacrifices show that Christian unity is bound together within itself by a firm and inseparable love. When the Lord calls the bread, made into one… [continues online] **read ›**

13 *Treatises* **Quote 1, page 2** "the sacrament and sign of His garment, He has declared the unity of the Church… [continues online] **read ›**

14 *Epistles* **Quote 2, page 2** "and one Church, and one baptism appointed only in the one Church. Whoever departs from this unity must be found among heretics. And while he supports them against the Church… [continues online] **read ›**

15 *Treatises* (1885 English) **Quote 5, page 3** "John 5:7 And does any one believe that this unity which thus comes from the divine strength and coheres in celestial sacraments, can be divided in the Church, and… [continues online] **read ›**

16 *Epistles* (1885 English; on point 4) "which arises from the divine unity. For even as the Lord who dwells in us is one and the same, He everywhere joins and couples His own people in the… [continues online] **read ›**

17 *Treatises* (on point 2) anyone considers and examines these things, there is no need for long discussion and arguments. There is an easy proof for faith in a short summary of the truth. The… [continues online] **read ›**

18 *Epistles* (on point 7) Whoever he may be, and whatever he may be, if he is not in the Church of Christ, he is not a Christian. Even if he boasts about himself and… [continues online] **read ›**

Apostolic Constitutions, *c. 250–380 AD · source 19*

19 *Apostolic Constitutions* **Quote 9, page 5** "you may be one body and one spirit, perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same… [continues online] **read ›**

Lactantius, *c. 290–320 AD · source 20*

20 *Divine Institutes* 30 **Quote 11, page 6** "were some of our religion whose faith was less… [continues online] **read ›**

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Alexander of Alexandria, *c. 313–328 AD · source 21*

21 *Epistles on the Arian Heresy* 1 (1885 English; on point 7) “Since the body of the Catholic Church is one, and it is commanded in Holy Scripture that we should keep the bond of unanimity and peace, it follows that we… [continues online] **read ›**

Clement of Rome · *source 22*

22 *First Epistle to the Corinthians* (on point 7) do we divide and tear to pieces the members of Christ, and raise up strife against our own… [continues online] **read ›**

THE BIBLE *82 verses, The Faith Once Delivered Bible (Old Testament from the Septuagint), in Bible order*

23 **Genesis 2:24** For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother and shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. **read ›**

24 **Leviticus 8:3** and assemble all the congregation at the door of the tabernacle of witness.” **read ›**

25 **Leviticus 21:22** He may eat the gifts of God, the most holy things, and of the holy things; **read ›**

26 **Numbers 5:15** then the man shall bring his wife to the priest, and he shall bring the gift for her, a tenth of an ephah of barley meal. He shall not pour oil on it or put frankincense on it, for it is a sacrifice of jealousy, a sacrifice of memorial, bringing sin to remembrance. **read ›**

27 **Numbers 5:18** And the priest shall set the woman before the Lord, and uncover the woman’s head, and put into her hands the sacrifice of memorial, the sacrifice of jealousy; and in the priest’s hand shall be this water of proof that brings the curse. **read ›**

28 **Deuteronomy 6:4** Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord. **read ›**

29 **2 Chronicles 7:9** On the eighth day he held a closing festival, for he had kept the dedication of the altar as a feast of seven days. **read ›**

30 **Psalms 133:1** A Song of the Steps. Behold now, what is so good or so pleasant as for brothers to dwell together? (Septuagint Psalm 132:1 (Psalm 133:1 in most Bibles)) **read ›**

31 **Proverbs 8:29** and when he made strong the foundations of the earth, **read ›**

32 **Proverbs 12:11** He who works his own land will be filled with bread, but those who pursue vain things lack understanding. He who takes pleasure in lingering over wine will leave dishonor in his own strongholds. **read ›**

33 **Proverbs 14:19** The evil will fall before the good, and the ungodly will wait at the doors of the righteous. **read ›**

34 **Isaiah 13:7** Therefore every hand will grow slack, and every soul of man will lose heart. **read ›**

35 **Isaiah 13:13** For the heaven will be enraged, and the earth will be shaken from its foundations, because of the wrath of the anger of the Lord of hosts, in the day when his wrath comes upon it. **read ›**

36 **Isaiah 13:20** It will never be inhabited, nor will they enter it at all for many generations; nor will Arabians ever pass through it, nor will shepherds ever rest in it. **read ›**

37 **Isaiah 14:3** And it shall come to pass in that day that the Lord will give you rest from your anguish and your anger, and from your hard slavery, in which you served them. **read ›**

38 **Isaiah 14:6** Having struck a nation in wrath with an incurable blow, striking a nation with a blow of wrath which did not spare, he rested in confidence. **read ›**

39 **Isaiah 14:7** All the earth cries out with gladness, **read ›**

40 **Isaiah 15:3** Wrap yourselves in sackcloth in her squares, and lament on her rooftops and in her lanes; all of you, wail with weeping. **read ›**

41 **Jeremiah 49:5** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

42 **Ezekiel 33:29** And they shall know that I am the Lord; and I will make their land desolate, and it shall be made desolate because of all their abominations that they have done. **read ›**

43 **Ezekiel 41:9** and the breadth of the wall of the side chamber on the outside, five cubits; and the remaining spaces between the side chambers of the house, **read ›**

44 **Amos 5:19** It is as if a man should flee from the face of a lion, and a bear meet him; and he should rush into his house and lean his hands on the wall, and a serpent bite him. **read ›**

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45 **Amos 8:4** Hear this, you who crush the needy in the morning, and oppress the poor, driving them from the land, **read ›**

46 **Habakkuk 2:16** You also, drink your fill of dishonor instead of glory; be shaken, O heart, and quake; the cup of the right hand of the Lord has come round upon you, and dishonor has gathered upon your glory. **read ›**

47 **1 Esdras 9:20** They pledged themselves to put away their wives, and to offer rams in atonement for their ignorance. **read ›**

48 **1 Esdras 9:38** And the whole multitude gathered together in the open square before the gate of the temple toward the east, **read ›**

49 **Wisdom of Solomon 2:22** and they did not know the mysteries of God, nor did they hope for the wages of holiness, nor discern the prize for blameless souls. **read ›**

50 **Wisdom of Solomon 5:19** he will take holiness as an invincible shield, **read ›**

51 **Wisdom of Solomon 6:19** and incorruption brings one near to God; **read ›**

52 **Wisdom of Solomon 7:27** Though she is one, she can do all things, and while remaining in herself she renews all things; in every generation she passes into holy souls and makes them friends of God and prophets. **read ›**

53 **Wisdom of Solomon 8:4** For she is an initiate in the knowledge of God, and one who chooses his works. **read ›**

54 **Wisdom of Solomon 12:1** For your incorruptible Spirit is in all things. **read ›**

55 **Wisdom of Solomon 18:9** For the holy children of good men offered sacrifice in secret, and in full agreement they established the divine law, that the holy ones would share alike in the same good things and dangers, the fathers already leading the songs of praise. **read ›**

56 **Wisdom of Sirach 16:21** And there is a storm that no man will see; and most of his works are in hidden places. **read ›**

57 **Wisdom of Sirach 25:1** In three things I was made beautiful, and I stood up in beauty before the Lord and men: harmony among brothers, and friendship among neighbors, and a wife and husband who suit each other. **read ›**

58 **Wisdom of Sirach 25:11** The fear of the Lord surpasses everything; to whom shall the one who holds it be compared? **read ›**

59 **Wisdom of Sirach 33:4** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

60 **Wisdom of Sirach 42:25** One confirms the good things of the other, and who will be filled with beholding his glory? **read ›**

61 **1 Maccabees 8:29** On these terms the Romans made an agreement with the people of the Jews. **read ›**

62 **1 Maccabees 12:11** We therefore remember you at all times without ceasing, at the feasts and on the other appointed days, at the sacrifices that we offer and in our prayers, as it is right and fitting to remember brothers. **read ›**

63 **1 Maccabees 14:19** And these were read before the assembly in Jerusalem. **read ›**

64 **2 Maccabees 8:29** When they had done this, they made a common plea and begged the merciful Lord to be fully reconciled with his slaves. **read ›**

65 **2 Maccabees 14:36** So now, O holy Lord of all holiness, keep undefiled forever this house that has so recently been purified.” **read ›**

66 **3 Maccabees 2:30** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

67 **3 Maccabees 6:31** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

68 **4 Maccabees 13:7** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

69 **4 Maccabees 13:13** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

70 **4 Maccabees 13:20** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

71 **4 Maccabees 13:23** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

72 **4 Maccabees 14:3** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

73 **4 Maccabees 14:7** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

74 **4 Maccabees 15:3** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

75 **4 Maccabees 16:22** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

76 **4 Maccabees 17:18** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

77 **1 Enoch 57:3** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

78 **1 Enoch 60:15** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

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79 **1 Enoch 60:20** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

80 **1 Enoch 61:4** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

81 **1 Enoch 63:3** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

82 **1 Enoch 103:2** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

83 **1 Enoch 104:12** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

84 **1 Enoch 105:2** Open the verse to read it. **read ›**

85 **Luke 14:9** and he who invited both of you would come and tell you, 'Make room for this person.' Then you would begin, with shame, to take the lowest place. **read ›**

86 **John 2:10** and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when the guests have drunk freely, then that which is worse. You have kept the good wine until now!" **read ›**

87 **John 17:21** that they may all be one; even as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be one in us; that the world may believe that you sent me. **read ›**

88 **Romans 12:5** so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. **read ›**

89 **1 Corinthians 1:10** Now I urge you, brothers, through the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be joined together in the same mind and the same judgment. **read ›**

90 **1 Corinthians 6:17** But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit. **read ›**

91 **1 Corinthians 10:16** The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ? **read ›**

92 **1 Corinthians 10:17** Because there is one loaf of bread, we, who are many, are one body; for we all partake of the one loaf of bread. **read ›**

93 **1 Corinthians 12:12** For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of that one body, though many, are one body, so also is Christ. **read ›**

94 **1 Corinthians 12:13** For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all given drink to share in one Spirit. **read ›**

95 **Ephesians 3:3** how he made the mystery known to me by revelation, as I wrote before in a few words. **read ›**

96 **Ephesians 3:9** and to make all men see what is the administration of the mystery which for ages has been hidden in God, who created all things through Jesus Christ, **read ›**

97 **Ephesians 4:3** being eager to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. **read ›**

98 **Ephesians 4:4** There is one body and one Spirit, even as you also were called in one hope of your calling, **read ›**

99 **Ephesians 4:5** one Lord, one faith, one baptism, **read ›**

100 **Ephesians 4:13** until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, **read ›**

101 **Ephesians 5:32** This mystery is great, but I speak concerning Christ and the church. **read ›**

102 **Philippians 2:22** But you know his proven worth, that as a child serves a father, so he served with me in the gospel. **read ›**

103 **Colossians 1:26** the mystery which has been hidden for ages and generations. But now it has been revealed to his saints, **read ›**

104 **1 Timothy 3:16** And by common confession, great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen by angels, preached among the nations, believed on in the world, taken up in glory. **read ›**

ALSO LINKED BY THF TO THESE PASSAGES *35 verses, by reference*

Partly machine-linked: related to the passages, not always quoted in them. Each reference links to the verse in our audio Bible.

Matthew 2:20 · 6:10 · 8:15 · 12:30 · 18:6 · 26:24

Mark 9:42

Luke 11:23 · 12:47 · 17:2 · 22:32

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John 3:5 · 5:7 · 21:15
Acts 10:28
1 Corinthians 5:11 · 11:3 · 12:26 · 15:41
2 Corinthians 11:2 · 11:29
Ephesians 4:1 · 5:6 · 5:21 · 5:27 · 5:28 · 6:12 · 6:16
Colossians 1:15 · 3:11 · 3:18 · 4:1
1 Thessalonians 4:17
Titus 2:14
James 4:1

Searched: Ante-Nicene Fathers volumes 1–9 and the Bible, including the Septuagint.

ABOUT THIS STUDY

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