Beware of the Traditions of Men

- Col 2:8 Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the <u>tradition of men</u>, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.
- Mar 7:8 For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men,....
- Mar 7:9 And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition.
- Mar 7:13 Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.

We must worship God in truth.

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

Joh 4:24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

What should our worship of God consist of in the church?

Baptism

Act 2:41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

Preaching doctrine

- Act 2:42 And they continued stedfastly in the <u>apostles' doctrine</u> and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.
- 2Ti 4:2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.
- 2Ti 4:3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;
- 2Ti 4:4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

Fellowship with Jesus Christ and the apostles

Fellowship - 1. ga. Partnership; membership of a society.

- Act 2:42 And they continued stedfastly in the <u>apostles'</u> doctrine and <u>fellowship</u>, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.
- 1Jn 1:3 That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.

Communion

Act 2:42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

1Co 11:23 For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread:

1Co 11:24 And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.

1Co 11:25 After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.

1Co 11:26 For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.

Prayer

Act 2:42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in <u>prayers</u>.

Act 12:5 Peter therefore was kept in prison: but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him.

1Th 5:25 Brethren, pray for us.

Singing

Eph 5:19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

Col 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Mat 26:30 And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives.

Feetwashing

Joh 13:12 So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you?

Joh 13:13 Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am.

Joh 13:14 If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet.

Joh 13:15 For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.

Joh 13:16 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him.

Joh 13:17 If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

But what about:

Denominations Associations Sunday School Children's church

Programs

Christmas

Easter

Candles

Creeds

Incense

Robes and other ministerial dress requirements

Musical instruments

"Worship pastors"

"Worship teams"

Choirs

"Youth pastors"

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Trustees

Boards

These are all the traditions of men which make the word of God of none effect.

Find these things in the scripture for me.