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Why are there so many different kinds of cereals? It is all too confusing. There are cereals with marshmallows. Cereals that turn the milk chocolaty. Cereals that have fruits, nuts, or raisins. Cereals that even go snap, crackle, and pop.

How is a person ever supposed to decide? Do I choose my cereal because I like all the sugar? Do I choose my cereal because I like the tiger or honeybee or leprechaun? Or should I choose my cereal based on the nutritional value?

The cereal aisle at your local grocery store is filled with different kinds of cereals. The street corners in your town are filled with different kinds of Christian churches. How are you ever going to decide which church is best for you?

I would encourage you to choose your church in the same way you choose your cereals. Choose which church is the most spiritually nutritious.

Choose a church whose teachings are filled with the “milk” and “meat” of God’s Word. The Bible says about itself: “Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation” (1 Peter 2:2-3).

Choose a church that isn’t giving you just what you “want” to hear, but what you “need” to hear. “For the time will come when men...will gather around themselves a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear” (2 Timothy 4:3). You and I need to hear that we have led unhealthy, sinful lives. We need to hear that Jesus died for our sins and have made our lives wholesome and healthy again.

I could eat all kinds of cereals that may fill me up, but they may not always be the best physical food that I could put into my body. In the same way that I want the best physical food for my body, I definitely want the best spiritual food for my soul. I want you to find a church that has the very best spiritual food there is—God’s truth. Again, the Bible says, “God wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth” (1 Timothy 2:4).

Come and share God’s truth with us this weekend. Come and be spiritually nourished.