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Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the 990 information collected:

1) Any IRS oversight of 501(c)(3) organizations must be equally enforced against religious organizations.

2) The IRS should, at the very minimum, require church entities claiming exemption from filing the 990 to inform the IRS through a letter (or via a prescribed form).

The great benefit of not being taxed must come with some measures of accountability. Currently the IRS singles out churches for privileged treatment by exempting them from the disclosure requirements all other 501(c)(3) with which organizations must comply, or lose their exemption. This discrepancy shields churches from accountability and amounts to government favoritism toward religion. **This must change.**

Thank you for consideration of my comments.

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