

Some Urgent Needs In the Lord's Church Today



The Church Today Needs More Members Being What God Would Have Them To Be and Less Who Play The Hypocrite.

- Sadly, some in the church today play the hypocrite, and are carried away with hypocrisy. (Gal. 2:11-13)**
- Some in the church today are too quick to see the faults of others, and overlook their own faults. (Matt. 7:3-5)**
- Some in the church today honor the Lord with their lips, but their heart is far from Him. (Matt. 15:7-8, 23:27-28)**
- May we all lay aside all hypocrisy, and be what God would have us to be. (1 Peter 2:1)**

The Church Today Needs More Preachers Preaching The Whole Counsel of God In The Pulpit and Less Comedians, Philosophers, and Ear-Ticklers.

- **There is an urgent need for preachers in the church today to just preach the word of God. (2 Tim. 4:2)**
- **There is an urgent need today for preachers in the Lord's church to speak as the oracles of God, and to seek to please God, rather than men. (1 Peter 4:11)**
- **Preachers in the Lord's church must not shun to declare the whole counsel of God. (Acts 20:27)**
- **Preachers in the Lord's church must not be ashamed of the gospel of Christ. (Romans 1:16)**

The Church Today Needs More Seed-Slingers and Less Mud-Slingers.

- **The term “seed-slinger” refers to those who actively go about spreading the word of God to others. The term “mud-slinger” refers to those who use insults and false accusations with the aim to damage the reputation of another.**
- **The Scriptures emphasize the urgent need for the Lord’s disciples to be to spreading the gospel to others. (Mk. 16:15-16; 2 Tim. 2:2, 24-26)**
- **The task of sowing the seed of the kingdom is so great that it should leave no time for the slinging of mud at a brother. (Acts 5:42; Rom. 3:23, 6:23; 1 Cor. 9:19-23)**

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- **The church today urgently needs members who express their love towards one another, rather than members who continually gossip about and backbite one another. (Jn. 13:34-35; Gal. 5:15; 1 Pet. 4:8)**
- **Know, whoever spreads slander is a fool (Prov. 10:18), but he who wins souls is wise (Prov. 11:30). Therefore, brethren, put away all evil speaking (1 Pet. 2:1), and be one who goes about everywhere sowing the seed of the kingdom (Acts 8:4).**

The Church Today Needs More Members Who Do Their Part In The Lord's Work, and Less Who Would Prefer That Someone Else Do Everything.

- We must not be lazy or lukewarm in our service to the Lord, but rather we must diligently and fervently serve the Lord. (Rom. 12:11; Rev. 3:14-19)**
- Know that all the members of the body of Christ are needed and useful. (1 Cor. 12:12-22)**
- Understand that we all need to be doing our share of the work. (Eph. 4:16)**
- Do not be like the unprofitable servant who buried his talent (Matt. 25:24-30), but rather do your part, and always abound in the Lord's work (1 Cor. 15:58).**

The Church Today Needs More Concern For Contending For The Faith, and Less Concern For Popularity and Compromise.

- **The church today needs to walk in the ways of the old path. (Jer. 6:16)**
- **We need to love the commandments of God more than anything, and hate every false way. (Ps. 119:104-105, 128)**
- **We must never pervert the gospel of Jesus Christ nor compromise the truth. (Galatians 1:6-9; 2 John 9-11)**
- **We must always remember the urgent need to always earnestly contend for the faith. (Jude 3)**

What Must I Do To Be Saved?

- **Hear the word of God. (Luke 11:28; Romans 10:17)**
- **Believe in Jesus Christ. (John 8:24; Acts 8:37)**
- **Repent of your sins. (Luke 13:3, 5; Acts 17:30)**
- **Confess Jesus Christ. (Matthew 10:32; Romans 10:9-10)**
- **Be baptized into Christ for the remission of (i.e. in order to wash away) your sins. (Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Galatians 3:27)**
- **Remain faithful unto death. (Revelation 2:10)**