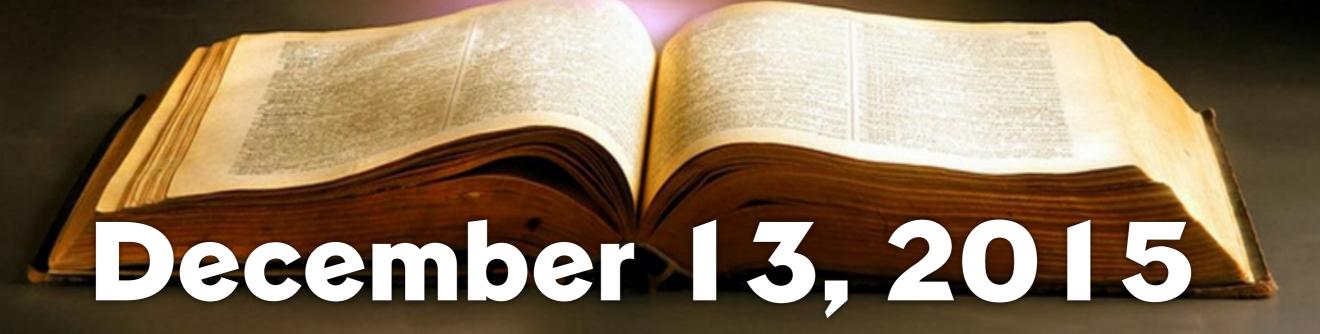
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VISITORS...

Please complete a visitor's card and give it to one of the members . . . then stick around after services and let us get to know you!

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65TH ST CHURCH OF CHRIST

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AT ANY AND
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SERVICES!

MEETING TIMES:

SUNDAY A.M. BIBLE STUDY: 9:00

SUNDAY A.M. ASSEMBLY: 10:00

SUNDAY P.M. ASSEMBLY: 5:00

WED. P.M. BIBLE STUDY: 7:00

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Our Shut-Ins & Sick & Infirm

Updated: December 11, 2015

- Polly Geren Presb. Village—510 N. Brookside Dr. LR AR 72205-
- Debbie Stephens—Please keep Debbie in your prayers—Debbie has also requested prayers for her mother—501-562-7391
- Fayetta Biggers—Needs our prayers, encouragement, and assistance!
 She has been placed under in home hospice care—(562-0130)
- Ruby Bishop—needs our prayers 225-2972—
- Lillian & Parker Allen—Needs your continued prayers 501-562-6009
- James Allen—(Son of Mary Beatrice Allen) —551-8131
- Billy Huckaby—continue to need our prayers, encouragement & assistance.—501-554-3440

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The
Principle of
Submission

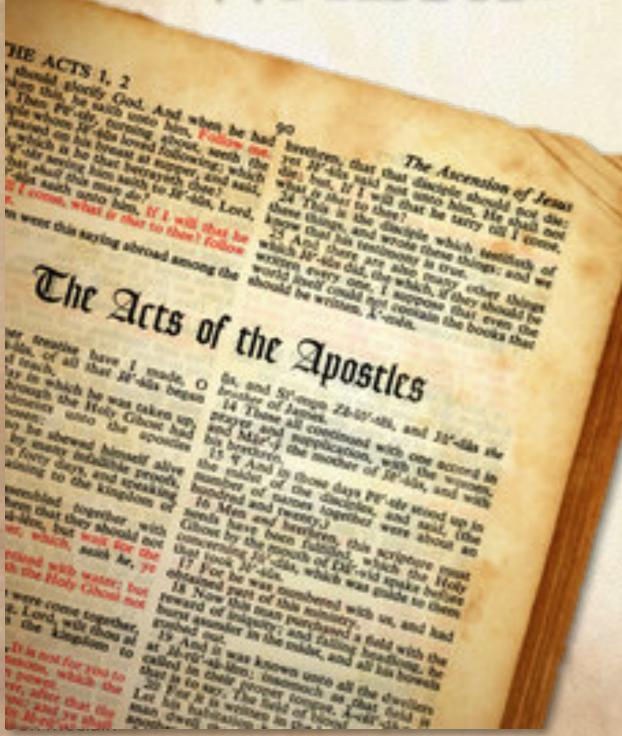
"Serving God By Faith"

The NT Pattern

For Edification

THEREFORE, JUST AS THE CHURCH IS SUBJECT TO CHRIST,... EPH 5:24

WALKING BY FAITH



- → Only Two Possible Sources For All We Believe, Teach & Practice - Heaven? or Men? -Mat 21:25-26
- God's SILENCE MUST Be Respected - (Faith comes by what God says, not by what He hasn't said) - Rom 10:17
- Walking by faith means walking by what God has said - 2 Cor. 5:7; 1 Cor. 4:6; Gal. 1:6-9

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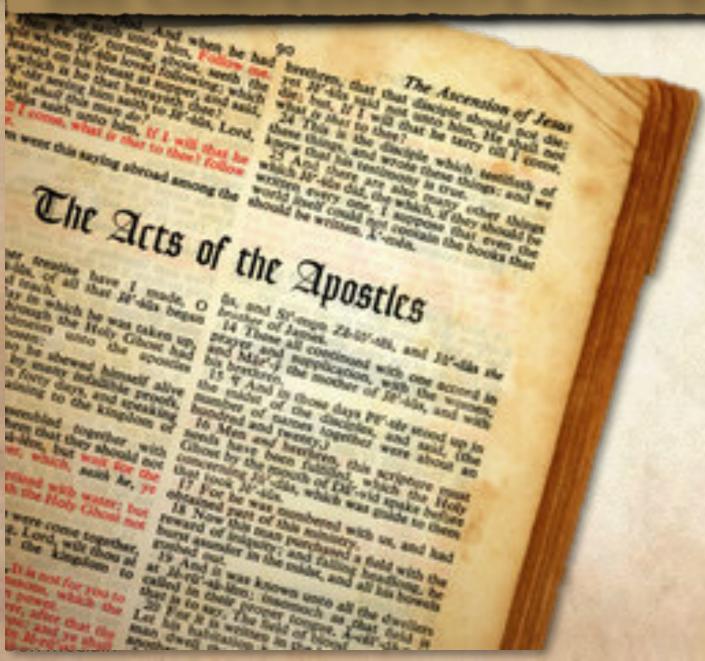
ATTITUDES REGARDING THE NEED FOR SCRIPTURAL AUTHORITY

- We do many things for which we have no authority." - Col 3:17; 2 John 9
- ◆"Details do not matter." Heb 8:5; Lev 10:1,2; Num. 20:11;
- **♦ "We have to change with the times." -**Jude 3,4; Gal 1:6-9
- ◆"If it is not directly forbidden then it must be o.k." – Lev. 10:1,2; Num. 20:11; Prov 30:6; Rev 22:18,19
- ♦ We Must Have A "Thus saith the Lord?"
- Jer 6:16; Col 3:17; 1 Peter 4:11; 2 Cor 5:7

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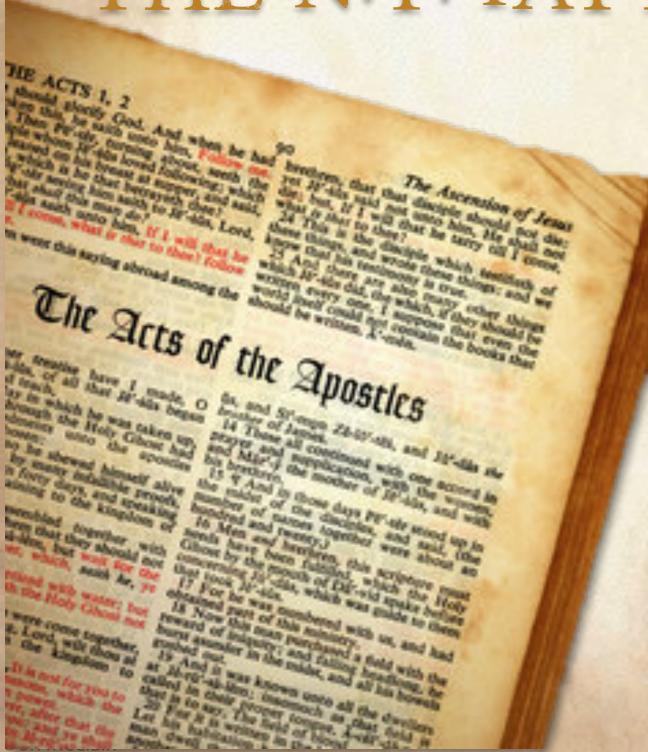
THE COMPREHENSIVE NATURE OF THE NT SCRIPTURES



- **◆Understandable** Eph 3:3-5
- ◆Sufficiently Instructs 2 Tim 3:16,17
- **◆Cannot Be Transgressed –**2 Jn 9
- ◆The totality of information revealed regarding any act of righteousness forms the pattern for that act 2 Tim 1:13; 3:16,17; 2 Pet 1:3;

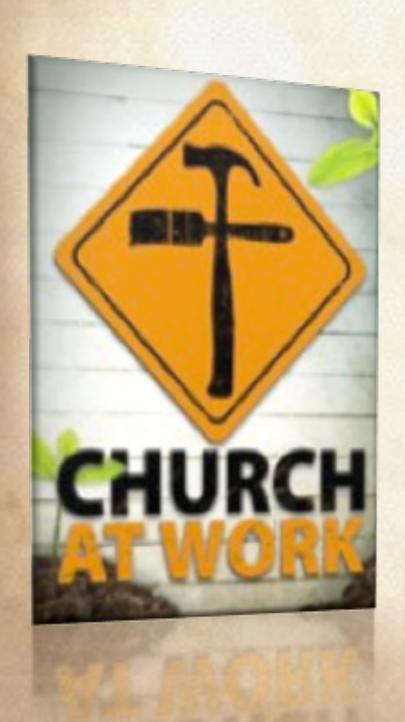
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THE N.T. PATTERN FOR THE



- ORGANIZATION OF A LOCAL CHURCH
 - * Christ the head
 - * Elders (bishops, pastors)
 - * Deacons to serve
 - * Evangelist, teachers & saints
- * WORSHIP OF A LOCAL CHURCH
 - * The Lord's Supper
 - * Giving To The Lord's Work
 - * Teaching the scriptures
 - * Praying together
 - * Music

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- ◆The Lord equipped local churches to do the work that He has given them - Eph 4:11-16
- ◆ If more organization is needed to carry out a work than is found in the NT – then it should be obvious that such a work is NOT a work of the church – (whether establishing other institutions or reorganizing the local church)

THE N.T. PATTERN FOR THE

Work of A Local Church



Donnie V. Rader "This is the church of Ch

"This is the church of Christ in Monette across the street from where W. Curtis Porter lived.

He preached there at one point. Though his funeral was held in this building (July 1960), he would not have been allowed to preach there for some time due to their move in the liberal direction. The sign tells you where they are in 2015. After making this picture today I immediately went to his grave. I think I felt the rumble of Porter turning over in his grave!"

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How Is The Church To Fund THE WORK THAT IT DOES?

- By the free will offerings of it's members - 1 Cor. 16:1,2
- Addressing our needs -
 - ❖ Benevolence − 1 Cor 16:1,2; 2 Cor 8,9
 - Preaching 2 Cor 11:8,9; Phili 4:10-18
 - Edification Eph 4:11-16; 1 Thes 5:11

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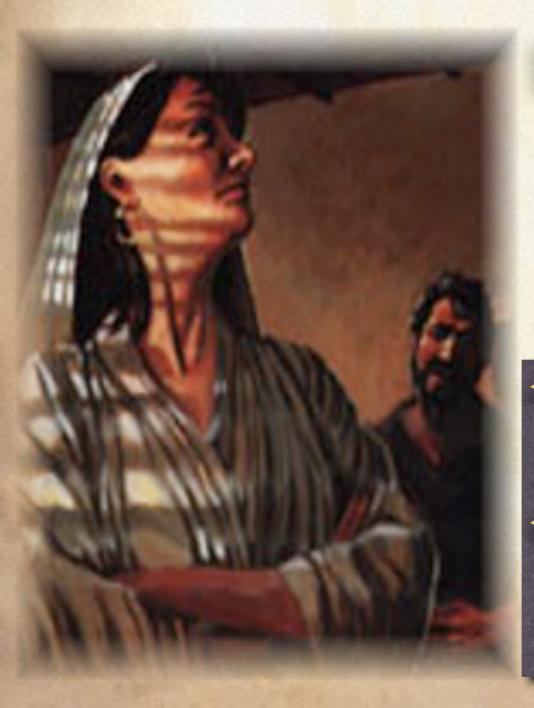
Who's Money Is It?

Acts 5:1-4

- ♦They sold their possessions. v. 1
- ♦ While it remained, it was in their power. v. 4
- ♦ When given to the apostles, stewardship changed. v.4

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Who's Money Is It?

Acts 5:1-4

- ♦The contribution belongs to God, the church is only a steward over it.
- ◆The money must be used to fulfill the obligations God has placed upon His church.

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Individual and Church Work Distinction

The Individual's Responsibility:

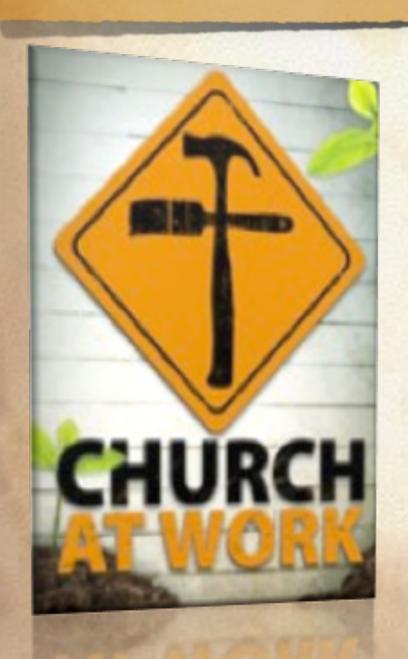
- ◆ Politically Rom 13:1-7;
 1Peter 2:13-17
- **Family** Eph. 5:22-6:4; 1 Tim. 5:8; 2 Thes. 3:10-12
- **♦ Spiritually** 1 Peter 2:5; 2 Cor. 6:17; Gal 6:7-9

The church cannot alleviate your responsibility in any of these areas. Each individual is obligated to fulfill his or her individual responsibility.

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Individual and Church Work Distinction



The Distinction is seen in:

- **◆ Eating -** have ye not houses? -1Cor 11:22,33-34.
- → Discipline tell it to the church - Mat 18:15-17.
- **→ Benevolence -** let not the church be charged - 1 Tim. 5:16

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Individual and Church Work Distinction

Individual

By honest labor -Eph. 4:28

The individual -Acts 5:4

Liberal Cont. - Pay Taxes - Provide Family - Maintain Good Works

Local Church

Method raising

Over-sight

Use

Voluntary offering -1 Cor. 16:1,2; 2 Cor. 9:6,7

> Local elders -Titus 1:7

Edify Saints - Preach to Lost - Relieving Needy Saints

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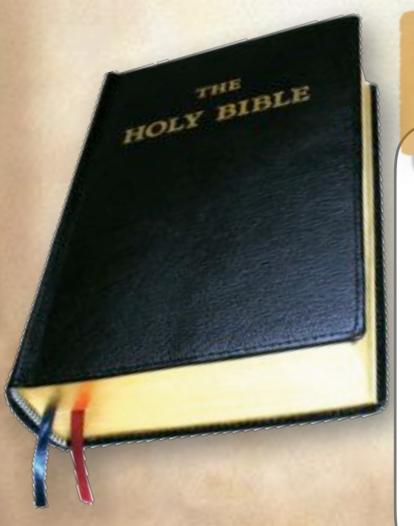
EDIFICATION - DEFINED

- 1. Vines Olkodomeμ, (3619)) denotes (a) the act of building (oikos, a home, and demoμ, to build); this is used only figuratively in the N.T., in the sense of edification, the promotion of spiritual growth (lit., the things of building up),
- 2. Thayer I) (the act of) building, building up; 2) metaph. edifying, edification the act of one who promotes another's growth in Christian wisdom, piety, happiness, holiness

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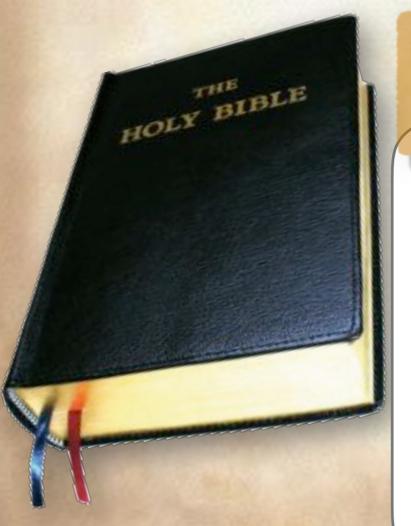
Acts 20:32 (NKJV)

³² "So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified.

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Colossians 2:6-7 (NKJV) ⁶ As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, ⁷ rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving.

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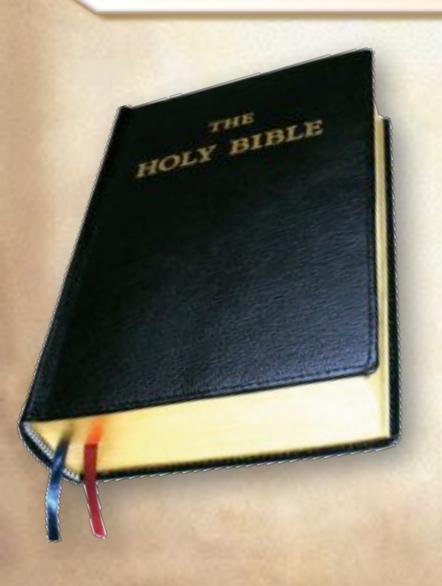
EPHESIANS 4:11-15 (NKJV)

11 And He Himself gave some to be <u>apostles</u>, some <u>prophets</u>, some <u>evangelists</u>, and some <u>pastors</u> and <u>teachers</u>, ¹² for the <u>equipping</u> of the saints for the work of ministry, for the <u>edifying</u> of the body of Christ, ¹³ till we all come to the <u>unity of the faith</u> and of the <u>knowledge of the Son of God</u>, to <u>a perfect man</u>, to the measure of the stature of the <u>fullness of Christ</u>; ¹⁴ that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, ¹⁵ but, <u>speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him</u> who is the head—Christ—

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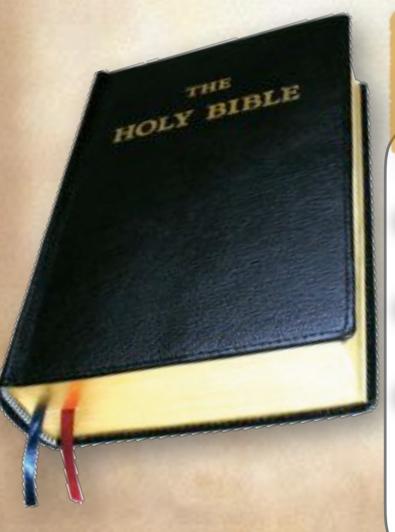
Importance of Seen In:

- **◆Organization?** Acts 20:28; Eph. 4:11
- ◆Worship? Eph 5:19; Col 1:28; 3:16; Titus 2:1-10; Heb 13:7-17
- ◆Spiritual Gifts? Eph 4:11,12; 1 Cor. 14:9-12,15-19,26
- The Need For Understanding? -1 Cor 14:14-19; Col 1:9,10

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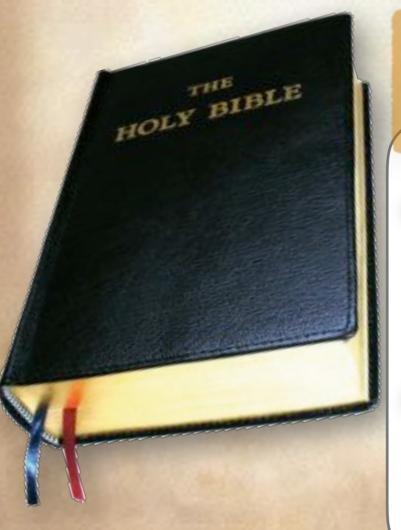
The Means -Acts 20:28; Eph. 4:11; Col. 1:28

- **♦ By Preaching** 2 Tim. 4:2; Col. 1:28
- ♦ By Teaching –Rom. 12:7; Acts 15:35; 18:11; 28:31
- **By Example / Doing -** Rom. 14:19:15:2; Eph. 4:29; 1 Thes. 5:11-12; Mat 25:29; Heb 5:12-14; Js. 1:21-25

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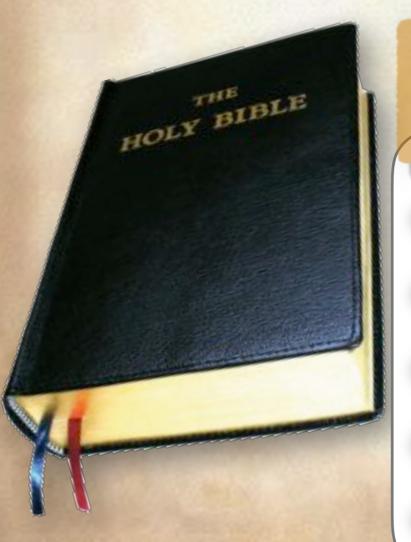
The Method -Acts 20:28; Eph. 4:11; Col. 1:28

- In the assembly by preaching, teaching, singing, and praying - 2 Tim. 4:2; Col. 1:28; Eph 5:19; Col 3:16; Jude 1:20; Acts 4:31
- ▶ Bible classes where individuals are taught the scriptures based on their ability to understand – (building, homes, public places, etc.)

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EDIFICATION - IN PRACTICE



The Method -Acts 20:28; Eph. 4:11; Col. 1:28

- ♦ Jesus & His disciples Mat 24:3
- ◆ The apostles & hearers in Acts 2 Acts 2:5-14
- ◆Paul & those of reputation Gal 2:2
- ◆ Aquila, Priscilla & Apollos Acts 18:26
- ◆Both men & women Tit 2:1-12

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EDIFICATION - IN PRACTICE

People pass through different stages of development

Young men	Titus 2:2,6	Aged men
Young women	Titus 2:3,4	Aged women
Children	Eph 6:1-4	Parents
Husbands	Eph 5:22-25	Wives
Masters	Tit 2:9 Eph 6:5-9	Servants
Babes in Christ	1 Pet 2:2; Heb 5:12-14	Mature

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EDIFICATION - IN PRACTICE

The Church Can

The Church Can't

Classes to teach God's word

Personnel to teach God's word

Materials that will help both teacher & student in studying God's word

Establish another institution to teach God's word.

Support another institution to teach God's word or anything else.

Get involved in secular education.

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EDIFICATION - IN PRACTICE

Three parts edification The Truth The Teacher The Learner

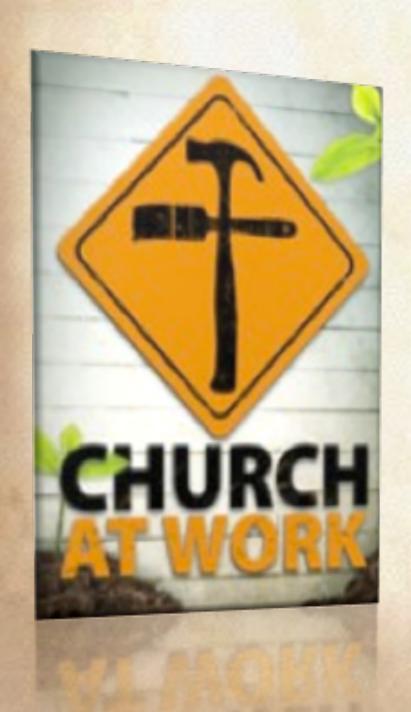
The Method -

2 Timothy 2:2

- ♦ Need qualified teachers . . .
- ♦ Need hungry disciples, (learners) . . .
 - Regular Attendance -
 - Listen to apply –
 - Study w/ diligence & grow -

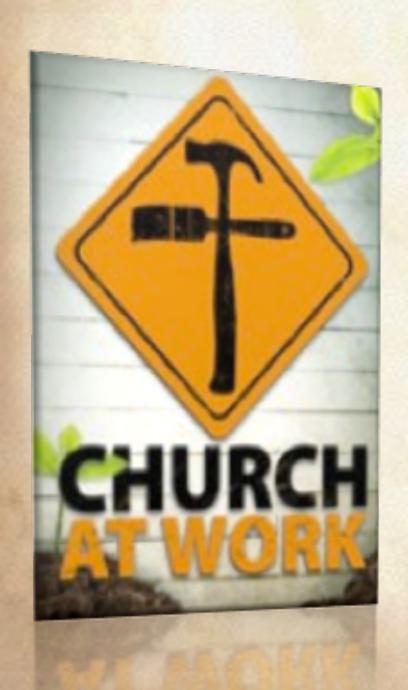
Command	Aide or Expedient	Unauthorized	
Baptize (Mt. 28:18-20)	Pool, River, Baptistery, Etc.	Basin to Sprinkle – Cup for Pouring	
Assemble (Heb. 10:24-25)	House, Hall, Church Building	Family Life Center, Gymnasium, Etc.	
Lord's Supper (1 Cor. 11:23-29)	Cups, Plates, Table, Etc.	Social Meal (1 Co. 11:17-22, 34)	
Give (1 Cor. 16:1-2)	Collection Baskets	Raffle Tickets, Chili Suppers, Cake Walks, Etc.	
Sing (Eph. 5:19)	Song Book, Leader, Pitch Pipe,	Piano, Guitars, Organ, Violin, Etc.	
Edify/ Teach (Mat 28:18-20; Acts 20:28; 1 Thes 5:11)	Bible Material, Place/ Room, Chalk Board, Maps, PPT	Secular Education, Entertainment, Athletics, etc.	

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