

Inclined to Grow

Church with Attitude, Part 4

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A local church's life together is built on giving to one another what we have received from God.

(1 John 1:3, 4:10-12; 2 Corinthians 5:15; Matthew 25:40)

God gives us a local church to help us identify and deal with our problems. (Hebrews 3:12-13)

- We live in a dark, deceptive world. (John 3:19-21)
- We are prone to deception. (2 Timothy 3:12-13)
- We tend to stay stuck in disobedience. (Heb. 4:9-11)
- We don't like to admit any of this.
(Proverbs 15:12; Matt. 7:6; John 3:20-21)

God has given us the standard for helping one another.
(2 Timothy 3:16; Hebrews 4:12-13)

Scriptural correction is a gift we receive and give away.
(Prov. 9:8; Psalms 141:5; 2 Tim. 3:16-17)

- We help each other grow up. (Eph. 4:15)
- We help each other stand up. (Hebrews 3:12-13; 10:24-25)
- We help each other keep getting up. (Hebrews 3:12-13; 2 Corinthians 12:9)

THE HEART ATTITUDES

1. *Put the goals and interests of others above my own.*
(Philippians 2:3-4, John 13:34-35)
2. *Live an honest, open life before others.*
(Ephesians 4:25, 1 John 1:7)
3. *Give and receive Scriptural correction.*
(Hebrews 10:24-25, Hebrews 3:13)
4. *Clear up relationships.*
(Matthew 5:23-24, Colossians 3:13)
5. *Participate in the ministry.*
(1 Peter 4:10, Ephesians 4:16)
6. *Support the work financially.*
(1 Corinthians 16:2, 2 Corinthians 9:6-7)
7. *Follow spiritual leadership within Scriptural limits.*
(Hebrews 13:17, 1 Peter 5:5-7)

My Next Step(s)...

- ☐ I will participate in the Lord's Supper on Oct. 20
- ☐ I will attend an upcoming Neighborhood Party
- ☐ I will attend an upcoming MeetUp
- ☐ I will memorize 2 Timothy 3:16-17 (CSB)

All Scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, for training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.