

Mingling with the Brethren

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Introduction

1. Acts 2:46
2. The church had time together
3. Some have been quoted as saying “any one can meet.” This is absolutely true, but can we go to heaven without meeting? So does that mean we all need to meet?
4. There are several illustrations used that show that we must all participate in the work of the church.

II Discussion

1. Vine and branches John 15
 - a. Verse 4 “abide” 3 times in that one verse
 - b. The meaning of “abide” “to continue to be present”
 - c. If you are not continuing to be present then what happens verse 6
2. Family 1 Timothy 3:15
 - a. What is the purpose of a family Genesis 2:18, 24 companionship
 - b. If the family never meets together are they really a family? Acts 2:46
3. Army Ephesians 6:11-17; 2 Corinthians 10:4; 2 Timothy 2:3-4
 - a. Do we train to use our weapons one on one or in a group setting?
 - b. Are we going to be an army of one or many
4. Body Ephesians 4:16; 1 Corinthians 12:12-27; Romans 12:4
 - a. The Body must function together or it is in ill health
 - b. Can any one part say to another part I have no need of you? 1 Corinthians 12:14-22
5. Yoke Matthew 11:28-30
 - a. Work is implied therefore there is work we must do
 - b. The people had a mind to work Nehemiah 4:6
 - i. Yes there was problems from within Nehemiah 5:1-5
 - ii. Yes there were problem from without, but it is the problems within that are the most disconcerting
 - iii. When they got together and worked they built the walls in 52 days Nehemiah 6:15
6. Temple 1 Corinthians 3:16-17; 1 Peter 2:5, 9
 - a. Could the priest do their job without meeting, people or God?
 - b. Are we better than they

III Conclusion

1. Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 Cooperation will help in the work of the church
2. Are you for the Lord? Matthew 12:30 If you are not for the Lord you are for the devil Matthew 6:24
3. There is work we all can do and let us work together to get the Lord’s Work done
4. Are you in the Vine?
5. Are you in the family?
6. Are you in the Lord’s army
7. Are you in the body of Christ
8. Are you yoked to the Lord
9. Are you part of the temple of the Lord
10. If not you can be, if you have been but quit or sinned against God then come back