

How God Wants the Church to Function

Romans XXV



Read: *How God Wants the Church to Function*
(CBCG- Romans XXV)

To understand the things God has given us to understand, what three conditions must be met?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____



God's Grace Given on His Sabbath Days

We are given special grace by God on His Sabbath for deeper understanding.

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The grace God provides us on Sabbath days includes...

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A special blessing is given to those who r and h
God's Word.

Read Phil. 1:6 & rewrite it below to increase your memory of it.

"Being confident of this very thing, that He Who began a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ."

We can have complete confidence in God. He will complete us *if* we...

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| He will complete us if we... | | |
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The Attitude of God's Church

How are we to view ourselves as leaders in God's church?

Paul asks: What do you have that you didn't receive? Answer this for yourself. _____

Who is the only one who has not received? _____

A church title means you have a closer walk with God. T F

God wants our focus to be on judging others. T F

We should boast about what we have done with God. T F

We should approach a new member with pity & pride. T F

What is evidence of sound-minded Christians in God's Church?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

God provides ___ _a_ ___ _h_ to help us grow in grace and knowledge.

Explain how you know you are/are not growing in Christ?



The Organization of God's Church

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| Everyone in God's church has the same function. | T | F |
| Teaching is more important than providing food. | T | F |
| Standing committees are short-term/as-needed groups. | T | F |
| God's gives only 2 important gifts to those in the church. | T | F |

The body of Christ is a _____ relationship: (circle one)

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God intended the church to mirror the ___ _m_ ___ _y_ relationships He created in the beginning.

God provides many gifts for those in His church. List some here. Place a heart next to any He has given you.

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True or False?

___ Those in the church who teach/preach/write are given special grace by God.

___ We understand less about God now than the disciples did when they were alive.

___ God's grace often refers to our abilities to do something.

___ Many in the church think too highly of themselves.

___ Teaching is more important than organizing a church social.

___ The Church of God should not have members that need to forebear one another.



Approaching the Sabbath as a Body

How are we to come together on Sabbath?

We should consider ourselves as s v s to God, His people, and the tasks He has given us.

Teachers

What are two understandings every teacher in the church must have?

1. _____
2. _____

What are 5 tasks teachers have?

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Name 6 characteristics of one who is called to teach:

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Encouragers

List things encouragers should and should not do.

| Encouragers SHOULD... | Encouragers SHOULD NOT... |
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Name 6 characteristics of one who is called to encourage others:

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Judgement & Mercy

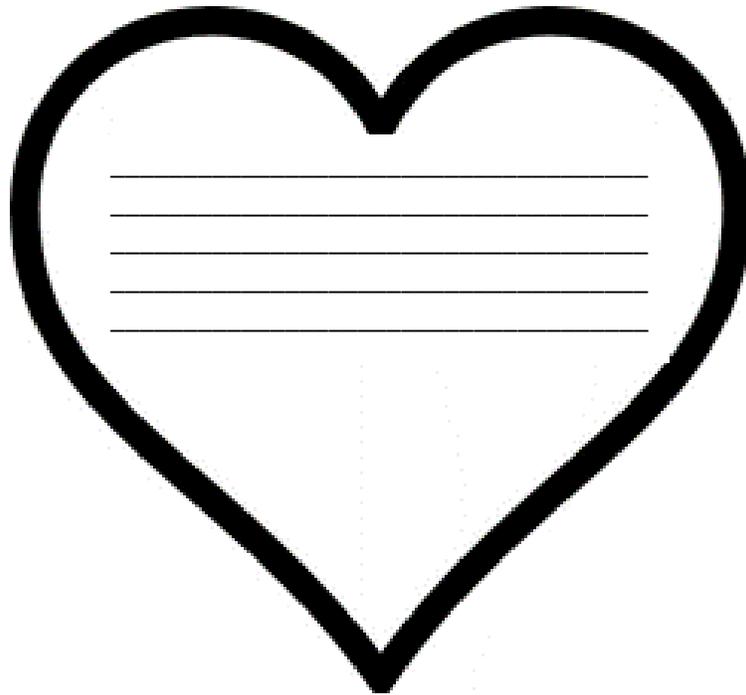
What is the difference between *righteous judgement* and *condemnation*?

How should mercy be shown to one another?

How are we to show love for one another in the church? Provide a phrase for each box below based on Romans 12.

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Why is godly LOVE in God's church so important? Place your explanation in the heart below.



A large heart outline with five horizontal lines inside for writing.



True or False?

- It's Ok to avenge yourself if you deserve it.**
- You don't need to have patience with those who aren't patient.**
- Leadership does not belong in a group of brethren because everyone is equal in God's sight.**
- Tares in the church often cause division and distrust.**
- We can overcome sin and hard feelings with the help of the Holy Spirit.**



Stirring God's Spirit

How can JOY be maintained even when you don't feel it?

What are 4 ways to keep God's Spirit in you stirred up?

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Why is timeliness so important when serving others?

Explain how you can demonstrate/provide each of the following to others in the body of Christ:

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| Faith | |
| Hope | |
| Love | |
| Encouragement | |
| Service | |
| Prayer | |

How should the Christian handle each of the things below & why?

| Worldly Characteristics | How a Christian Should Handle It | Why Handle It God's Way |
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| Lofty Ambitions | | |
| Anger/Vengeance | | |
| Vanity | | |
| Material Goods | | |



Your Response to God

What are 3 things you learned today?

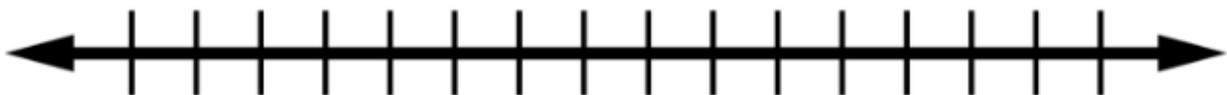
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2. _____
3. _____

What is your role in God's Church?

Rate your level/quality of service to God & His church by placing an X on the timeline below.

Low

High



What can you do to improve in your service to God and His church?

What fruits of the Spirit need to be better developed in you? Shade or color and label them in image below.

