

A Heart that Loves the Church

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Hebrews 10:24-25a *"And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is..."*

SUMMARY:

The great servant, Paul, emulated the love which the Savior held for the corporate assembly of believers comprising His **BODY**. A heart that loves the Savior will channel service and dedication to the growth and furtherance of His **BODY** by way of * *faithful attendance, * committed stewardship, and * being fervent in prayer.*

Paul encouraged the younger Timothy to "...be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." Our example of dedicated love for the corporate members of the **BODY** is a rallying inspiration to those who may be new members or to those members who may be experiencing the testing which the redeemed life will most certainly produce.

NOTES:

DISCUSSION POINTS:

- Our service to the local assembly should be rendered in light of an eternal reward versus what we may be receiving in this present life.
- In developing passion around our membership within His **BODY**, fellowship among its members is a rallying point for unity.
- The vantage point of "strength within numbers" is indicated in the Word in "one being able to chase a thousand, and two being able to put then thousand to flight."
- 1 John 3:14 We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death.

ON YOUR OWN...

Colossians 3:15 And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in **one body**; and be ye thankful.

Colossians 1:18 And he is the head of **the body**, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.