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- **The command to seek <u>first</u> the kingdom of God (Matt. 6:33; 10:37-38)**

- **The command by Apostolic example not to forsake our assembling (Hebrews 10:25; Matt. 18:20; John 14:15)**

- **The command to edify one another (I Thess. 5:11; Hebrews 10:24-25; 3:12-14)**

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  - The services are designed for spiritual growth (I Cor. 14:26; Acts 20:32; Col. 3:16)

  - Our growth is dependent upon our diet (Matt. 4:4; I Peter 2:1-3; Heb. 5:11-14; Ephesians 4:13-15; Hosea 4:6)

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■ **The local church needs workers (I Cor. 3:9; 2 Cor. 1:24; Phil. 4:3)**

■ **The church is dependent upon its members (Eph. 4:15-16; I Corinthians 12:12-22)**

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⦿ **To Provide A Good Example and Influence**

- ■ **Christians are to set a good example for…**

  - ○ **one another – I Timothy 4:12; Titus 2:7-8**

  - ○ **the world – Matt. 5:14-16; Phil. 2:15**

- ■ **Faithful attendance is essential for good influence (Heb. 10:24-25; Romans 2:17-24; I Peter 2:11-12)**

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- ■ **Disciples of Christ are to be prepared (Matt. 24:44; 25:13)**

- ■ **Attending every service contributes to our preparation (Heb. 10:25; 2 Peter 3:10-14)**

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- To Have A Clear Conscience
  - **A good conscience is important**
    - Jesus died to purify our conscience (Heb. 9:14)
    - We were baptized, as an appeal for a good conscience (I Peter 3:21)
    - We are to strive to have a conscience without offense toward God and men (Acts 24:16)
  - **Missing services contributes to a guilty conscience**
    - The conscience can become seared (I Tim. 4:2)
    - Confident of a good conscience? (Heb. 13:18)

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