

"HOW TO 'SHUT-DOWN' THE CHURCH!"

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- 1) Do not attend
- 2) If you do attend - arrive late
- 3) " " " - do not smile (act grouchy)
- 4) " " " - do not sing, & if you do - sing off key
- 5) Never volunteer to do anything
- 6) Refuse to accept any responsibility
- 7) Constantly criticize any changes
- 8) Do not support the church financially (let others tithe)
- 9) Never invite anyone to Services or offer them a ride
- 10) Do not speak positively about the church or its' leaders
- 11) Never tell the Teacher, Song Leader, Instrumentalist, Soloist, Minster, or etc., "Thanks For Your ..."
- 12) Refuse to acknowledge any visitors
- 13) Never pray for the Church's Leaders, Missionaries, or Lost
- 14) "Put Down" any new church members by protesting that they are trying to "Take Over"
- 15) Constantly strive to cause division among the brethren

Seemingly, many are unaware or just do not care that Jesus gave His life for the church (Those "called out" of a life of sin). Everyone in the church does not grow at the same rate spiritually, just as in a physically family. Some stay "small" for a time and then grow in spurts. This is the way it is among church members - some are slow to grow spiritually, whereas others grow quickly. However, we are all in God's family (church). May we "Work Together" to help the Lord's church to grow in spirit and in number!

Plainly, don't get short changed. Let's be ready to meet our Maker. The Bible teaches that to avoid hell and gain heaven - one must:

- 1) Believe In Jesus As Savior (Acts 16:31) 2) Repent Of Sins (Acts 17:30) 3) Confess Christ Audibly (Acts 8:37) 4) Be Baptized In Water (Acts 2:38) 5) Live A Christian Life (Acts 14:22) 6) Be Active In the Church (2:47)

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