

## “Why Attend Every Service?”

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### **Introduction**

1. One thing is for certain Satan does not want us to assemble together to worship God today or any day for that matter. He wants us to fall away and just because he failed today doesn't mean he won't attack us every chance he has!
2. Does our assembling together really make a difference? Why should we attend every service?

### **I. To Fulfill The Commands Of God**

- a. The command not to forsake our assembling (Hebrews 10:25)
  - i. Instead of asking is alright to forsake we ought to ask what is forsaking the assembly? I may not know where to draw all the lines but I do know that I should base my answer on Matthew 6:33...
  - ii. “When I miss the assembling for this \_\_\_\_\_, what am I seeking first? God's kingdom and righteousness or something else?
- b. The command to edify one another—Roman 14:19; 15:1-3; Hebrews 3:12-14
- c. The command to seek first the Kingdom of God – Matthew 6:3; 10:37-38; Luke 14:26; Matthew 12:46-50

### **II. To Grow And Develop Spiritually**

- a. The services are designed for spiritual growth – Hebrews 5:12-14; Colossians 3:16
- b. Our growth is dependent upon our diet – Hebrews 10:22-24

### **III. To Help The Church Function Properly**

- a. The local church needs workers – Ephesians 4:15-16; 1 Corinthians 12:12-19
- b. The church is dependent upon its members

### **IV. To Provide A Good Example and Influence**

- a. Christians are to set a good example – 1 Timothy 4:12; Titus 2:7-8; Matthew 5:14-16; Philippians 2:15
- b. Faithful attendance is essential for good influence – 1 Peter 2:12

### **V. To Be Ready, Watching And Waiting**

- a. Disciples of Christ are to be prepared – Matthew 24:44; 25:13; 10:22; Ephesians 5:16
- b. Attending every service contributes to our preparation

### **VI. To Have A Clear Conscience**

- a. A good conscience is important – Hebrews 9:14; 1 Timothy 1:18-19; 1:5; Acts 24:16
- b. Missing services contributes to a guilty conscience – 1 Timothy 4:2; Hebrews 13:18

May we have the same attitude of the psalmist of 122:1 “ I was glad when they said to me, Let us go into the house of the Lord”