# "How Can I Help the Church" Col. 3:12-17

#### Introduction

- I. Are there times that you have wondered what you could personally do to help the local congregation and the church as a whole?
- II. There are simple things, that if done by each member, the church would be stronger.
  - A. Personally serve God.
  - B. Participate with the congregation.
  - C. Persevere!

#### Discussion

- I. Personally serve God.
  - A. Pray privately and publicly (1 Thess. 5:16).
  - B. Be thankful (Phil. 4:6).
  - C. Live pure lives (2 Cor. 1:12; Eph. 4:29).
  - D. Read and study the Bible regularly (Matt. 4:4; 2 Tim. 2:15).
  - E. Visit and aid those in need (James 1:27; Gal. 6:10).
  - F. Make friendships with fellow Christians (James 4:4; 1 Cor. 15:33
- II. Participate with the congregation.
  - A. Be in attendance for every scheduled service of the congregation (Heb. 10:25; Acts 2:44).
  - B. Listen attentively to the preaching and teaching of God's Word and obey It (Luke 11:28).
  - C. Sing out (Col. 3:16; Eph. 5:19; Heb. 13:15).
  - D. Include yourself in activities of fellowship (3 John 8; 1 Cor. 3:9; 1 John 1:3).
  - E. Be a teacher, "leader" in worship acts, or helper to others (Rom. 12:1).

### III. Persevere!

- A. Never stop til the end (Acts 2:42; Gal. 6:9; 2 Thess. 3:13; Heb. 10:36).
- B. Get stronger each day (1 Cor. 15:58; Rom. 8:18-25; James 1:12).

## Conclusion

- I. Each member can help the church by doing simple things each day.
- II. If I am not a member of the church, then I can help by becoming one.