



The Church  
2014 Series

PART III: You and the Church  
Text for the Series: 1 Tim. 3:15  
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What does your church need from you?

- I. To love one another. (Rom. 13:8; John 13:34, 35)
  - A. The **Debt** of Love (Rom. 13:8)
  - B. The **Commandment** of Love (Jn. 13:34)
  - C. The **Testimony** of Love (John 13:35)
- II. To maintain **unity**. (Eph. 4:3-6; Ps. 133:1-3; 1 Cor. 1:10-11; 2 Cor. 13:11; Rom. 15:6; Philip. 2:1-3)
  - A. The **Pursuit** of Unity (Eph. 4:3)  
EXAMPLE USAGE (2 Tim. 4:9; 4:21; Titus 3:12; Heb. 4:11; 2 Pet. 1:10)
  - B. The **Basis** of Unity (Philip. 2:1; Eph. 4:4-6)
  - C. The **Preciousness** of Unity (1 Cor. 1:11; Ps. 133:1-3; 2 Cor. 13:11)
  - D. The **Components** of Unity (1 Cor. 1:10; 2 Cor. 13:11; Rom. 15:6; Philip. 2:1-3)
- III. To **sympathize** with each other. (Rom. 12:15; 1 Cor. 12:26; Gal. 6:2)
- IV. To **share** with one another in time of **need**. (Rom. 12:13; Gal. 6:10; 1 Jn. 3:17; Heb. 13:16; Mt. 25:40; 1 Peter 4:9)
- V. To watch over one another **spiritually**.
  - A. **Examining** Our Own Life (Heb. 12:15)
  - B. Helping Those Who **Stumble** (Gal. 6:1)  
**Overtaken** – caught before he can get away. *Bullinger*  
**Fault** – *paraptoma*. A trespass, overstepping, miss-stepping.  
**Restore** – *kataridzo*. To mend, perfect, restore, strengthen.  
**Considering** *skopeo*. I.e., keep an eye on yourself too.
  - C. **Teaching** Everyone (Titus 2:1-7)



**VI. To bear with one another.**

- A. Patiently endure the failures of the spiritually immature.**  
(Rom. 15:1)
- B. Bear one another's burdens.** (Gal. 6:2)
- C. Demonstrate sympathy, kindness, humility and meekness as we forebear the weaker brother or sister.** (Col. 3:12)
- D. Consistently maintain a forgiving spirit.** (Mt. 18:21-22; Mk. 11:26)

**VII. To pray for one another.** (Eph. 6:18)

- As we examine this verse, we note that we are to ...
- First, we are to be in a constant state of prayer.
- Secondly, we are to talk to God about the situations that we see in the lives of others. "Prayer"
- Thirdly, we are to pray in the power of the Spirit. (Cf., Jude 1:20, "praying in the Holy Ghost")
- Fourthly, we are not to be ashamed to ask our Heavenly Father to do something about the need that we see. "Supplication"
- We are to keep the vigil in the prayer effort. "watchfulness"
- We are to be persistent.
- We are to watch for the needs of all saints and pray for them as you would those closest to you.

**VIII. To separate from men and things in this world that defile.**

- A. We are to part company with divisive and sinful brethren.**  
(Rom. 16:17; 1 Tim. 6:3-5; Titus 3:10; 2 John 1:10-11; 1 Cor. 15:33; Eph. 5:11)
- B. We are to be careful to maintain purity in our own life.** (Eph. 4:17-24)