

“The Importance of Bible Classes”

Heb. 10:25

Introduction

- I. How would the congregation feel if I decided to forsake Bible classes?
- II. If it is expected that I attend, then it should be expected that all attend.
- III. Let us notice some reasons why it is important to attend Bible classes.

Discussion

- I. We are to obey what we are commanded (Heb. 10:25).
 - A. The elders of each congregation have the authority to tell us when to assemble (Heb. 13:17).
 - B. Disobedience to what the elders have prescribed properly is sin (1 John 3:4; 5:17).
- II. We are to grow spiritually (2 Pet. 3:18).
 - A. We will not grow as we should without spiritual nourishment (1 Pet. 5:1-2).
 - B. We should all be taking opportunities to “feed” on milk and meat (1 Pet. 2:2; Heb. 5:12-14).
- III. We are to edify one another (1 Thess. 5:11).
 - A. My absence can discourage my brethren (cf. Rom. 15:2).
 - B. My presence can uplift/edify my brethren (Rom. 1:11-12; 15:32).
- IV. We are to influence others appropriately (Titus 2:7-8).
 - A. My faithful attendance can influence others to come (1 Pet. 2:12).
 - B. By attending, I let my light shine (Matt. 5:16).
- V. We are to hold fast our profession (Heb. 4:14).
 - A. Without faithful attendance, we lose our hope (Heb. 3:6).
 - B. Slothfulness will cost us on the Day of Judgment (Heb. 6:11-12).
- VI. We are to put spiritual things first (Matt. 6:33).
 - A. Are we really seeking things above if we are absent (Col. 3:1-3)?
 - B. Am I abounding, or just trying to do as little as possible (1 Cor. 15:58)?

Conclusion

- I. Choosing not to attend Bible classes, all worship services, VBS, Gospel Meetings, etc. is rebellion against God.
- II. Let us all strive to be present when the church assembles!