

The Making Of A Great Congregation

Philippians 2:12-18

Introduction: Great congregations do not just happen by accident. It takes hard work. Here are three main things that must exist in a congregation for it to become what God wants it to become.

I. It Must Have Great Ingredients

Salvation is God's gift, but it is also his command.

- A. We all have an individual responsibility
Acts 2:40, Romans 6:17
- B. It is God who ultimately saves us
Ephesians 2:8-9, Hebrews 13:20-21

II. It Must Have The Right Mixture

United We Stand, Divided We Fall

- A. Do All Things Without Complaining or Disputing
- B. That You May Be Blameless and Harmless
Titus 3:8-9
- C. Without Fault Or Blemish
1 John 1:7
- D. Shining As Lights
Matthew 5:16
- E. Holding Fast the Word of Life
Hebrews 10:23

III. It Must Have The Right Atmosphere

*As A Plant Cannot Live Without Water,
So The Church Cannot Flourish Without Joy"*

- A. Paul was overjoyed to be used up for Christ
2 Timothy 4:6-8
- B. Are We Willing to Be Used Up For Christ?
Philippians 2:3-4, Romans 12:1