

TOP TEN RULES FOR IMPROVING THE CHURCH

10. Every church has problems. Ask yourself, "Am I part of the problem or part of the solution?"
9. Constantly strive to increase your circle of associates in the church. Try to do something good for each.
8. Consciously look for the good qualities in every brother and sister in Christ. When you think of a brother or sister, make a quick mental note of the good points each possesses.
7. Remind yourself every day that the only way you can improve the world or the church is to begin with yourself.
6. Never, ever blame others for your own failures. Every individual can be fruitful if he is determined to be in spite of the bad examples and discouraging attitudes of others.
5. When you see a work being neglected, instead of being critical, offer to help.
4. When you are tempted to criticize others, be sure to pray earnestly for them first. This may not totally change them but will do wonders for your attitude.
3. If you are older, treat the young with the consideration you desired as a young person. If you are young, treat adults with the respect you will want when you are older.
2. Pick out the sincere, dedicated, spiritual members and thank God for them. And try to be like them.

And the NUMBER ONE rule for improving the church ...

1. Tell yourself over and over, "Since I am not perfect, I would not fit into a perfect congregation."

- Joe Barnett (edited), via Tanner Church of Christ, Tanner, AL

To handle yourself, use your head; to handle others, use your heart.

News & Notes

CONFESSIONS: Dennis & Lori States.

CARE & SHARE BEARS: Each Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. The ladies are invited to participate in this project.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Begins next week, July 20-24, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Adult Class: J. D. Conley.

PANTRY: Oatmeal & cereal

THOSE WITH HEALTH CONCERNS: Weirton Medical Center: Rich Robinson. Children's Institute, Pittsburgh: Helena Rice (age 6). At Home: Ella Beagle, Crystal Baker, Herb & Beulah Rice, Fred & Ilene Rayl, Docie Moore, Jack Board, Betty Carlin, Ruth Brewer, Harry & Imogene Nice. FOX NURSING HOME: Ruby Eddy. Remember others confined to their homes and in nursing homes. Check the bulletin board.

Definition of "Home"



- A world of strife shut out. A world of love shut in.
- The place where the small are great, and the great are small.
- The father's kingdom, the mother's world, the child's paradise.
- The place where we grumble the most and are treated the best.
- The center of our affections, around which our heart's best wish entwines.
- The place where stomachs get three square meals a day, and our hearts a thousand.
- The only place on earth where the faults and failings of humanity are hidden under the sweet mantle of charity.

- Author Unknown, via **Bulletin Gold**

We thank Thee, Lord, for daily food,
For plenteous store of earthly good;
For life and health we still possess,
With house and home so richly blessed.

- Mohler -