



Church Meeting Training (Pt. 1)

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The "Whole" Church:

"Church Meetings that Unite"

Because "coming together" does not always mean "whole".



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How to Lead a Church Meeting that Unites the Body of Christ

"United" means to **agree** on the same **beliefs** and **principles** about a particular matter.

Greek Definition of "Unite"

- Henosis: oneness, union, unity.
- In a spiritual sense, it means to spiritually agree in spite of personal differences.

Harmony

Your _____ to allow others to enjoy the people and the things you _____ with. *Dr. William "Bill" Whitaker*

Church Meeting Harmony

Harmony means “_____” and is your willingness to allow other congregants in the church meeting to _____ and _____ the people, decisions, and ministry initiatives you disagree with.

Discord means “_____” and is the opposite of “harmony”. It takes place when congregants are led to _____ against people, decisions, and ministry initiatives that are not consistent with their _____
_____.

Discord Takes Place When...

We allow our _____ to conflict with each other.

The Leader of the Church’s Business, Finance, & Ministry Meetings Should Focus on _____, Not _____ Convictions.

**Absolute vs. Personal Convictions are taught in Church Meeting Training Pt. 2: How to Handle Personal Convictions.*

The Body of Christ is Guided by Statements of Absolute Conviction

Statements of Absolute Conviction

- The Bible Says...
- Our Faith Says...
- Baptist Doctrine Says...
- Christ Taught...
- (Person in the Bible) Teaches in the Word...

Statements of Personal Conviction

- I Think...
- We Feel...
- They Want...
- I Don’t Believe...
- Our Tradition is...

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2-Tim-2 Certified to Lead the Church's Business, Finance, & Ministry Meetings

2 Timothy 2:8-13 (NIV)

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel,

⁹ for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained.

¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

The Leader that is 2-Tim-2 Certified to Lead the Church's Business, Finance, & Ministry Meetings Must be "Absolutely" Respected for their...

1. Belief in the Life, Death, & Resurrection of Jesus Christ

"Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David..."
(2 Tim. 2:8a)

Servant Leaders who lead Church Meetings are called to be reminders that the "_____ " of ministry programs and preferences is a part of ministry life. Therefore, a ministry plan's _____ from death is a part of our _____ in Jesus Christ.

2. Acceptance & Teaching of the Gospel

"This is my gospel..." (2 Tim. 2:8b)

Use your leadership to _____ the Gospel of Jesus Christ and _____ the Gospel message during & throughout the Church Meeting.

Choose to use your _____, your _____, and your _____ in the church meeting to remind others of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Sermons We See

by Edgar Guest

I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day;
I'd rather one should walk with me than merely tell the way.
The eye's a better pupil and more willing than the ear.
Fine counsel is confusing, but example's always clear.
And the best of all the preachers are those who live their creeds,
For to see good put in action is what everybody needs.

3. Willingness to Suffer for Christ

*"...for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal.
(2 Tim. 2:9a)*

The Greek definition of "Criminal" in 2 Tim. 2:9a bears the same meaning as the two _____ / _____ who were crucified with Jesus in Luke 23:32.

"Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed."

As Servant Leaders, we _____ to continue our service for the Lord in spite of the challenges, hardships, and difficulties we face as ministry leaders. It is the _____ that brings us into Servant Leadership, but it is our _____ that compels us to continue being a Servant Leader.

4. Determined to Spread and Advance the Word of God

("But God's word is not chained." 2 Tim. 2:9b)

God's Word cannot be "_____" by our limitations and faults. The power of the Gospel is "_____" power.

We serve in spite of our _____ and _____ and not in the absence of them. The Gospel has power in spite of the sins and inabilities of those to preach and teach the Gospel message.

5. Endures Hardship as a Servant Leader So that Others May Be Saved

“So I am willing to endure anything if it will bring salvation and eternal glory in Christ Jesus to those God has chosen.” 2 Tim. 2:10 (NLT)

2 Convictions Regarding the Nature of Communion Elements

My conviction is that the bread and wine...

1. ...is the body as Jesus states in Luke.
2. ...only “signifies” and “represents” the body and blood of Jesus Christ.

Rather than focusing on the “_____” that united them, the two leaders allowed their _____ of the Words of Christ to divide them.

Their differences of interpretation not only divided the two leaders, they allowed their _____ to also divide the _____ that followed them.

The Church Meeting Case Study: “The Marburg Colloquy”

Who are the 2 key figures in the Marburg Colloquy?

What was the reason why the Church Meeting was held?

How many days did the Church Meeting Last?

Who prayed on the first day of the Church Meeting and what did he ask God to do?

What was Martin Luther’s response on the 2nd Day of the Church Meeting?