

What is the job of a minister? What is the job of a church member?

Matthew 28:18-20 Jesus said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you...”

The Lord Jesus wants His church to grow, be multiplied, and expanded! We should go with His program.

We live in a very self-centered society today. Some people care less and less about others, but they Christian is supposed to care more and more about others.

I suggest my job at church is to be a spiritual guide and teacher. I may not be very good at this and I question myself all the time.

But, what is the job of a church member? To come to church, be involved, give tithes and offerings.

We have a great denomination. Not one that shoves dogma down the proverbial throat, but one that wants us to question, learn, and to determine for oneself through prayer and study what is right in God's eyes with a little guidance from other members of the church.

Some people are very contented with their church in that they don't want new people coming into their church because it threatens their security, their peace and their position in the church.

And this attitude is entirely wrong. **WHAT IS SOMEONE IN THE CHURCH HAD FELT THAT WAY TOWARD YOU?** You might not be saved! You might not be in Christ!

Many things, many attitudes, many bad attitudes keep people from coming to church.

A priest was giving his flock a sermon on the Gospel, and he mentioned how with five loaves of bread our Savior fed five thousand people (**Matthew 14:21**); but instead of saying five thousand, he said five hundred.

The altar boy told him that he had made a mistake, because the Gospel says five thousand. Immediately, the priest said to him; “Be quiet, you foolish boy! They already have a hard time believing five hundred.”

Sometimes we have a difficult time believing in certain things. We question some of the miracles of the Bible. We even question eternity!

A little boy attended a Sunday school. When his parents moved to another part of the city the little boy still attended the same Sunday school, although it meant a long, tiresome walk each way. A friend asked

him why he went so far, and told him that there were plenty of others just as good nearer his home.

"They may be as good for others, but not for me." was his reply.

"Why not?" she asked. "Because they love a kid over here," he replied.

They love a kid over here. That's one of the real secrets of our church. We truly love other people.

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