Church Sub Theme for 2019-23: "What's The Church Supposed To Be Like?!" (Problems in the Church)

Sunday April 23, 2023 Sermon Outline

- C. Sometimes Defective Leadership Will Attack The Church, Acts 20:29-31
 - -- Many churches have been torn apart this way!
- D. The Professing Church Has Apostatized (--Moved away from the clear teachings of Christ and His Apostles,) 1 Tim. 4:1, 2

III. INDIVIDUAL SINFUL ACTS CAUSE PROBLEMS IN THE CHURCHES

- A. Individual Carnal Professing Christians Cause Problems In Churches, Rom. 16:17, 18
- B. Failure Of Professing Christians To Manifest Proper Christian Growth
 - 1. Failure to love and forgive each other as Christ asked us to do, John 13:34; Col. 3:13
 - 2. Failure to stop slandering and gossiping about each other, Col. 3:8; 1 Tim. 3:11; Jam. 1:26
 - 3. Failure to stop grumbling over various things in the Church, Phil. 2:14
 - 4. Failure to allow the Holy Spirit to control their daily behavior, Gal. 5:16, 22

- 5. Failure to make a serious commitment of our life to Christ as our true Lord, Lk. 6:46; Rom. 12:1, 2
- 6. Failure to reach for the prize that God wants us to have for an obedient, faithful, Christian Life, Phil. 3:14
- IV. WE MUST STRIVE FOR UNITY IN THE CHURCH, Eph. 4:1-3
 - A. We Must Be At Peace With One Another, Rom. 12:18; Heb. 12:14
 - B. We Must Be Peacemakers In The Church, Mt. 5:9
 - C. We Must Bring Our Walk Together With Our Talk
 - D. Our Teaching Must Be Displayed In Our Own Behavior.
 - E. Our Singing Must Manifest An Obedient, Loving Spirit
 - F. We Must Really Hear God's Word And Then Be Doers Of It, Jam. 1:22-25

 --Do we sit down to take the Word in?