

Sunday October 13, 2024

Sermon Outline

II. ALL OF THE LORD'S TRUE CHURCHES HAVE PROBLEMS

- A. They All Have Saved Sinners In Them Who Are Not Perfect Yet. But Hopefully Are Growing, 1 Pet. 2:2; Eph. 4:15
- B. Satan Will Attack Them To Try To Destroy Their Effectiveness Before God
 - 1. He sent False Teachers To Trouble The Early Churches, 2 Cor. 11:13, 14
 - 2. He will influence some true believers to live uncommitted lives before Christ, Rom. 12:1,2
 - 3. He will influence some true believers to live in discord with one another, Phil. 4:2
 - 4. He will influence some true believers to be mere hearers of the Word and not doers of it, James 1:22-25
 - 5. He will influence some true believers to try to destroy the church for sinful reasons, Acts 20:28-30
 - 6. He will influence some true believers to form cliques in the church, 1 Cor. 1:10-13
 - 7. He will influence some true believers to gossip and slander each other, Eph. 4:31; Jam. 3:6, 8

III. THE LORD'S TRUE CHURCHES WILL SEEK TO OBEY THE COUNSEL OF HIS WORD IN ALL AREAS OF CHURCH LIFE

- A. In Personal Christian Living

- 1. In Loving each other, Jn. 13:34; 1 Jn. 3:23
- 2. In Forgiving each other, Eph. 4:32
- 3. In seeking for unity in the church, Eph. 4:3
- 4. In Love for God and Christ, Jn. 14:23

B. In Dealing With Problems In The Church

- 1. In Reacting to the Trouble Makers in the church, Rom. 16:17, 18
- 2. In Reacting to those Not willing to Carry Their Weight in the Church Family, 2 Thess. 3:10-12
- 3. In Dealing with believers Living in Open Sin in the church, 1 Cor. 5:1, 2, 9-13
- 4. In Encouraging believers to follow the Lord's Steps in dealing with personal problems with each others, Mt. 18:15-17
- 5. In Encouraging believers to confess their personal sins to God and accept His forgiveness and cleansing, 1 Jn. 1:9