

Becoming a Team Player in God's Work

Nehemiah 3

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It requires the willingness to work with _____.

- Today, God is working through a living organism, called the _____, the body of Christ.
- *“And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.” Ephesians 1:22-23*
- To be a team player in God's work today you must be able to function with other _____ of the body. 1 Corinthians 12:14-22
- It is important to be connected to a church because it is the outward, visible expression of Christ's body. You work side by side with other members of the body.

It requires the putting aside of _____ agendas.

- One of the easiest things to do in life is to become _____-centered.
- Every member of the body of Christ has been given _____ whereby you can contribute to the team. These gifts weren't given so that you could draw attention to yourself, compare yourself with others, and build your own agenda.

It requires a commitment to the team's _____.

- Today, what is our mission as a church? We are to reach people with the gospel of Christ and then teach them God's Word - _____ and _____.
- *"Whom (Christ) we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus."* **Colossians 1:28**
- A church will only fulfill this mission in proportion to how committed its members are to this mission.

It requires a spirit of _____.

- *"And being found in fashion as a man, he (Christ) humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."* **Philippians 2:8**
- A spirit of _____ says, "How can I serve others, be a blessing to others, and minister to others? How can I contribute to this team?"
- A spirit of _____ says, "How can others make **me** happy, help **me**, serve **me**?"

- The effectiveness of our church depends on how many people are involved as contributing members of the team. Are you a team player in God's work?
- God did not place you in the body of Christ so you could simply _____. He placed you in the body of Christ and in a local church so you could _____.