

Thriving In Turbulent Times

Don't Disconnect, Stay Connected!

Hebrews 10:19-25

The Very Best Place for a Christian to be Encouraged, Built Up & Motivated, EVEN in Turbulent Times, is with the Body of Christ.

When we Gather Together, we get the Lord's Attention. (Malachi 3:16)

When we Gather Together, the LORD Promises to Participate. (Matthew 18:20)

"Staying Connected" in the Body of Christ is the best way to Thrive in Turbulent Times.

1. **"STAYING CONNECTED" IS IMPERATIVE.**

- Early Believers made Gathering Together a PRIORITY.
- They Connected With Believers At CHURCH. (Acts 2:46a; 2 Thessalonians 2:1)
- They Connected With Believers In HOMES. (Acts 2:46b)
- There's a Bible Imperative for Believers to "Gather Together" both Corporately AND in a Small Group Setting.

2. **"STAYING CONNECTED" IS IMPORTANT.**

- WHY is Staying Connected with the Body of Christ SO IMPORTANT?
- The Body of Christ Promotes LOVE. (v.24; John 13:34, Gal. 5:13, Heb. 3:13, James 5:16)
- The Body of Christ Provokes GOOD WORKS. (Ephesians 2:8-10)
- The Body of Christ Provides ENCOURAGEMENT.

3. **"STAYING CONNECTED" IS INCENTIVIZED.**

- There is a Definite UPSIDE for Staying Connected to the Body of Christ.
- Some Christians had Stopped Meeting Together ("as is the manner of some")
- The CLOSER we get to the Day of Christ's Return, the MORE we should be Gathering Together & Preparing ourselves to Meet Him...NOT LESS.
- We are Closer to the Lord's Return TODAY than we were Yesterday.
- Our Commitment to "Stay Connected" should Be Stronger in light of His Return.

