

Ten Ways To Kill A Congregation

1. Do not plan a Bible study program. Let the teachers teach whatever they want. With no organization, no one will ever learn too much.
2. Never discipline unfaithful members. That way, members will never form any real convictions about right and wrong.
3. Do not be concerned about scriptural authority. If a thing seems good, do it whether God authorizes it or not.
4. Emphasize social activities over spiritually oriented functions.
5. Discourage new converts from being too zealous. They need to learn quickly to take the Christian faith and salvation for granted. After all, if they were really important, wouldn't the older Christians take them more seriously?
6. Don't let young people take an active part in the work of the church. They might grow into hard-working zealous members.
7. Complain unendingly about the decisions of the leaders. Never appear to be pleased with any spiritual work that is done.
8. Never show hospitality to one another. Do not appear to have any brotherly love.
9. When you attend, sit on the back row, don't pay much attention and above all, don't study ahead so you can participate in class. Then rush right out after services and don't speak to anyone (unless you have a complaint).
10. Don't talk to anyone about the lost condition of his soul. You might accidentally convert him.

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