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Message: Every Christian believer should be committed to the local church, which includes faithful attendance and becoming an active part.

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**I BECAUSE THE *LORD HAS ORDAINED
THE LOCAL CHURCH* AND HAS A
DIVINE PURPOSE FOR IT**

Matthew 16:18 KJV

18 . . . I (*Jesus*) will build MY church . . .

Acts 2:47 KJV

47 . . . And *the Lord* added to the church daily those who were being saved.

I Corinthians 12:18 KJV

18 But now *God* has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased.

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II BECAUSE THE LORD'S SPECIAL MANIFEST PRESENCE IS IN THE LOCAL CHURCH

Revelation 1:13 NKJV

13 and in the midst of the seven lampstands One like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band.

Revelation 1:20 NKJV

20 **The mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands which you saw are the seven churches.**

Revelation 2:1 NKJV

1 **"To the angel of the church of Ephesus write, 'These things says He who holds the seven stars in His right hand, who walks in the midst of the seven golden lampstands:**

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III BECAUSE WE NEED THE COLLECTIVE FELLOWSHIP AND MINISTRY OF OTHER BELIEVERS

I John 1:7 NKJV

7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

I Corinthians 12:12-17 NKJV

- 12 For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ.**
- 13 For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body — whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free — and have all been made to drink into one Spirit.**
- 14 For in fact the body is not one member but many.**
- 15 If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I am not of the body," is it therefore not of the body?**
- 16 And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I am not of the body," is it therefore not of the body?**
- 17 If the whole body were an eye, where would be the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where would be the smelling?**

I Corinthians 12:21-22 NKJV

- 21 And the eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you"; nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you."**
- 22 No, much rather, those members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary.**

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IV BECAUSE WE *NEED TO REGULARLY MINISTER AND BUILD UP OTHER BELIEVERS*

I Peter 4:10 NKJV

**10 As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another,
as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.**

I Thessalonians 5:11 NKJV

**11 Therefore comfort each other and edify one another,
just as you also are doing.**