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*Modern Church*

This is a good topic and I felt compelled to answer in the way the Holy Spirit has taught me over the years, *my answers are in blue, and this font.*

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“Do I Really Need to Go to Church?” We live in a post-COVID time, (we hope), and we have observed a trend, *where spiritual leaders so called, would not stand up for their faith, just like Peter and exactly for the same reason. Ac 1:8\*.*

People have become used to watching church online or on TV. Many people will say that they love God, but they are not fans of “organized religion. *Organized religion is about the same as the Scribes & Pharisees were in Jesus time. Mt 16:6, Mr 7:13*

***They do not believe the bible, but rather their tradition. IN OTHER WORDS, THEY DON'T LET THE BIBLE GET IN THE WAY, OF WHAT THEY BELIEVE !***

A common theme among younger people is that they see less value in being part of a church community. On the other hand, young and old alike, do crave to establish meaningful relationships with others. It should be a priority for congregations to intentionally create the environment and opportunities to help people connect with one another in meaningful ways. *Back when rock-n-roll started there was a big conflict about whether or not the church should embrace rock-n-roll. You walk into some churches and you would swear you're in a rock concert, the music and the DRUMS are so loud you can't understand what is being said. And the beat is the same sensual beat that promotes sex, drug and alcohol abuse and crime at a rock concert. 1Jo 2:15\**

Perhaps many in the younger generation are asking, “Do I really need to go to church” because they have observed parents and others not really valuing church. Has COVID caused this major setback? Is FEAR of COVID or something else the dominant reason why people are not attending church?

*Church is a place you go to, to worship God, in singing and praise and adoration. A place to be encouraged, directed, corrected by the word of God, A place to fellowship and let your LOVE shine to the young, to the poor, and to the wealthy. A place where you come away from, energized and rejuvenated and not coming away more depressed than when you went. YOU ASK WHY I WOULD SAY THIS? If the church would let the Holy Spirit lead and preach, pray and sing what HE tells you, you can't help but grow. This God proved to me in 1974/76.*

Or is it the new Sunday morning “come-easy, go-easy habit” that has seduced people? Whatever the reasons being given, an element of hypocrisy is present for people whose mouths say that they love God and each other, but who, with their Sunday morning actions, do not live out what their mouths say. The truth is that the church is the established community of believers as is clearly and repeatedly demonstrated in the Bible. Jesus sent His disciples out to share

*The church is the body and bride of Jesus Christ they were and are called disciples and when the church started THEY WERE OF ONE ACCORD. Jesus said, "Go ye into ALL the world and make disciples" OF WHO? Jesus of course. But it didn't take long for self centered man to say, "I don't believe this is what the scripture means," or whatever. So there were devisions,*

*and they went out and made CONVERTS. This was the beginning of denominations, today, some still say; I'm a disciple of Jesus, but the biggest majority will say: I'm a Baptist, or I'm a Lutheran, or I'm a Pentecostal and so on. In other words, they are bound by the tradition of man and not Christ.*