

APATHETIC CHURCH

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Romans 10:1,2

Romans 10:2 NIV

For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge.

Apathetic Church

*The crisis facing
the church today
is a crisis of apathy.*

The Church Lacks...

- Zeal for God's holiness & righteousness
- Zeal for God's Holy Word
- Zeal for sharing the Gospel
- Zeal for prayer
- Zeal for gathering as a church "body"

Be Holy

- (1 Pet 1:15 NIV) But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do;
- (1 Pet 1:16 NIV) for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy."

1 Thessolians 4:7 NIV

For God did not call us to be impure,
but to live a holy life.

Zeal for God's Word

- (1 Tim 4:13 NIV) Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching.

God's Word

(2 Tim 3:16 NIV) All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,

Proverbs 7:2,3

Keep my commands and you will live;
guard my teachings as the apple of
your eye.

Bind them on your fingers; write them
on the tablet of your heart.

Zeal for Sharing the Gospel

(Rom 1:16 NIV) I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile.

Zeal for the Gospel

(2 Tim 1:8 NIV) So do not be ashamed to testify about our Lord, or ashamed of me his prisoner. But join with me in suffering for the gospel, by the power of God,

Share the Gospel

- (Mat 28:19 NIV) Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
- (Mat 28:20 NIV) and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Zeal for Prayer

- (Eph 6:18 NIV) And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.

Pray for Each Other

(James 5:16 NIV) Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

Zeal for Fellowship

- (Heb 10:24 NIV) And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.
- (Heb 10:25 NIV) Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching.



Revelations 3:14-22