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10 Reasons Christians Should Attend Bible School Regularly

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Wish to begin today's lesson with 3 pre-suppositions:

2. Each desires to please God 1st & foremost. I J. 5:3
3. We will leave no stone unturned to please Him J.15:11

Believe: Speak the sentiments of 8 elders, 26 deacons, 3 preachers and 56 teachers in our B. S. faculty.Today.

Desire: To inspire one of the finest possible New Year's resolutions for next 12 months: Faithful BS attender.

I. OUR BIBLE SCHOOL PROGRAM IS NOT AN "END" IN ITSELF, BUT RATHER A "MEANS" TO LORD'S GREAT PURPOSES FOR US.

A. Our Bible School assists greatly in our Goals of Life.
3. Micah 6:8. How know the difference in justice and injustice?

Ill. Judge Sam Tatum, Juvenile Judge of Nashville, Tenn.: "Neglect of Bible School training is OBVIOUSLY a contributing factor to today's JUVENILE DELINQUENCY, and the moral instability of our homes."

Facts:

a. In series of 3,000 juvenile offenders, 2 were regular in Bible School attendance.
b. Over 80% of the 3,000 NEVER attended B. S.
c. Of 9,500 boys under 17 yrs. who passed thru his court—not ONE whose "parents" attended Bible School regularly.
d. Only 1/4 of 9,500 youth attended B. S. reg.

4. John 17:3. How KNOW God and Christ outside of some regular and organized study program.

Ill. Even pagan Grecian-Socrates saw this 500 B. C. "Could I climb to the highest place in Athens, I would lift my voice and proclaim, ' Fellow citizens, why do ye turn and scrape every stone to gather WEALTH and take so little care of your children to whom one day you must relinquish it all?'"

5. We are not talking about B. S. attendance only, but REGULAR B. S. attendance.
Foolish to exercise, unless exercise regularly.
Foolish to diet, unless exercise regularly.
Foolish to take music lessons, unless exercise regularly.
Foolish to send child to school unless he gets his lessons regularly.

(over) Ill. Even children know this. *Letter to parents
A LETTER TO PARENTS

Dear Mother and Daddy,

You have been very busy lately getting me ready for school this year. You say that it is very important that I get an education. This is why you see that the TV is not turned on until I have prepared my lessons for the coming school day. This is why you see that I get to bed early to prepare my body for the physical strain of school.

Yes, getting an education is a must to prepare one for the social demands of this life, but tonight, mother and daddy, when I am asleep, won't the two of you tip-toe into my room and steal a look at my sleeping face? There may still be a tear on my cheek, but my cares of the departed day have gotten lost somewhere in dream-land.

Look at me and ask yourselves: How much spiritual education are we giving our child? Is it more important to be a doctor than to be a Christian? Is it more important to be a nurse than to be saved?

What kind of person do you really want me to be? NOW is the time to educate me spiritually.

After I have opened the door to adulthood, it may well be too late then.

PLEASE, mother....and daddy too, I am a living soul! I hunger to know more about my Creator. I am starving to know WHO I AM, WHERE I CAME FROM and WHERE I'M SUPPOSED TO BE GOING. Only the Bible can answer my deepest questions. Please take me where they study the Bible. Take me where I can study it regularly. Lovingly yours. Your child.

CONCLUSION: The END of our Bible School at Southside is to help parents prepare their precious ones—and themselves—to meet God with boldness at the Judgment Day. There is no greater work than this!
Ten reasons for Christians attending B. S. Reg.

II. OUR B. S. PROGRAM IS THE MOST NATURAL APPROACH TO A CONTINUING SPIRITUAL EDUCATION PROGRAM IN TODAY'S CULTURE.

A. There are 7 marks of a Great Church. We want to be one!
1. Great Mission. Mark 16:15-16. 85% come thru B. S.
2. Great Program. Bible truths graded to ages present.
4. Great Faculty. Dedicated; Bible-educated Christians
5. Great Student Body. Bible-loving Christians and their children and friends and neighbors.
6. Great Facilities. (tools). Lord deserves the best!!!

III. TEN BIBLE REASONS CHRISTIANS SHOULD ATTEND B. S. REGULARLY.

1. Matt. 22:37. My supreme love for God compels me to cooperate with His people in every good work, BS!
2. Luke 17:10. I can never KNOW enough nor do too much!
3. John 16:13. My love for my own SOUL compels me to at least cooperate with the H. S. "all"
5. II Tim. 4:1-4. Listeners need broad Bible background.

"As we are engaged in law enforcement face the future, we hope for the day when crime among the youth of America will be substantially reduced. The FBI is equally as interested in the PREVENTION of crime as in its punishment. SUNDAY SCHOOLS have been a bulwark against crime and delinquency in the past, and their future in this regard is bright."
indeed. Proper support to insure the continued growth of this institution should present a challenge to the whole American citizenry." (Tract: Why I Believe in the Sunday School, by J. Edgar Hoover, Director of FBI.)

ONLY ONE REASON YOU COULD CHOOSE NOT TO SUPPORT the Lord's Educational Program in the Bible School: You know a better way!!!! We welcome it!!! Know none.

INV: The END of Bible Study is the salvation of your soul.

Neglected your soul in 1969? Need to repent and improve.
Neglected your Bible in '69? Need prayers of brethren.

Neglected Lord and His church in '69? Can correct this sin. A. 8:22.

LOOKING FOR CHURCH HOME? Good way to begin 1970.
Settle down for great year!!
INT:

10 REASONS ALL CHRISTIANS SHOULD ATTEND BIBLE SCHOOL

Hebrews 5:12-14

OUR GOAL: To be the friendliest, lovingest, visitingest,
and Bible School attendingest church anywhere!!

Setting goals: 1, 3, 5, 10 and 25 yr. goals.

10 YEAR GOAL: Every Christian in class studying Bible!!

Ten Bible reasons we believe they should be—maybe sooner!

I. Matthew 22:37. Not how little can I get by on, but how much can I do to prove my love to God Jesus concurs in this scripture.


III. John 16:13. 


V. II Tim. 4:1-4. Preacher urges your presence. 25 min. a week not enough.


VII. Hebrews 5:12-14. EVERY CHRISTIAN a teacher. Kind?


IX. II Tim. 2:15. How much knowledge do you have? II Peter 3:18. (331 N. T. commands.)


INV: This lesson presented for two basic reasons:

1. Believe it will lead us to happier life here.
2. Believe it will help prepare us for eternity.

If not a Christian, letting best life in world pass you by. Your only fault may be violation of James 4:17.

If not faithful Christian, then know not happy till return. R.P.

We want to be friendliest, lovingest, studyingest,
group of Christians in world. Invite you to share our fellowship, our dreams, our successes—identify!!