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Church Behavior #1: God's Design for the Church

An Introduction from 1 Timothy 3:14–16

Big Idea: God's church must follow His design.

Transition: Why must God's church follow His design? Because God has not left us to figure out the church for ourselves.

1) God's Church Needs I_____, 14-15a

Truth: God has not left His church to figure out for itself how it should function.

2) God's Church Must U_____ _____, 15b

Truth: Because the church belongs to the living God, it has the responsibility to uphold His truth before the world.

3) God's Church Must P_____ _____, 16

Truth: The church must proclaim Jesus because He is the heart of God's truth and the source of genuine godliness.

Application Questions

1) Am I following God's design for the church or my own preferences?

Action Step: Identify one area where you need to prioritize God's instructions over your personal preferences reconcile it with God.

2) Am I helping the church uphold God's truth?

Action Step: Encourage someone this week with Scripture, speak the truth in love, or help someone understand God's Word.

3) Does my life reflect the Christ I proclaim?

Action Step: Identify one area of your attitude, speech, or conduct that needs to change, and take a specific step toward repentance and godliness.

What kind of church has God called us to be?