Ministers Conference

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Building Healthy Churches - Session 2- "Diet"

SCRIPTURE PARALLELS NATURAL GROWTH TO SPIRITUAL GROWTH

I Peter 2:2; Matthew 4:4; Hebrews 5:12-14

- Milk, Bread, Meat.

I Peter 5

- Feed & Lead

Acts 2:42

- 4 spiritual food groups / 4 food groups (balance)
 - 1. Apostles Doctrine
 - o II Timothy 3:16
 - 2. Fellowship
 - 3. Breaking Bread
 - 4. Prayers

APOSTLES DOCTRINE (TEACHINGS)

Explains what the old contains.

II Timothy 3:12-16

We need more than big screens, smoke machines, and shiny jeans.

Matthew 24:35

- God's word is forever settled in heaven and earth.

John 17:17

- Sanctify us by Your truth (separate us).

God's Word must be taught!

FELLOWSHIP

Greek Translation: Koinonia

- Partnership; participation or social intercourse; communicate

Philemon 1: 6

- Communication (koinonia) of our faith.
- We need small group setting to share our faith.

BREAKING BREAD

Acts 2:46

- Communion + a meal.
- A meal is a mini covenant.

Food & Table = Life. Labor. Love

PRAYERS (PLURAL)

Luke 11:1

"Lord teach us to pray..."

Prayer leads to action of faith.

- Pray for those who are hungry? Feed them.
- Pray for the naked? Clothe them.
- Pray for those in authority? Vote righteously.
- Pray for the lost? Go witness.
- Pray for the harvest for labors? Go!