

# Challenges for a Growing Congregation



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- **We Must Remember What Our Work Is:**
  - **To equip the saints for service.**  
**Ephesians 4:11-12, 15-16; Hebrews 10:24-25**
  - **To spread the gospel.**  
**1 Thessalonians 1:8**
  - **To provide for needy saints.**  
**1 Corinthians 16:1-2**

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- **We Must Rise Above Pettiness:**
  - **Good churches can be hindered by pettiness.**
    - **Paul had concern for some at Philippi and urged them to “live in harmony.”**  
**Philippians 4:2-3**
- **We must keep a good sense of proportion.**
  - **Let us not “major in minors.”**
  - **Remember the words of Paul in**  
**Philippians 2:1-5**

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- **We Must Maintain Gratitude for Our Blessings:**
  - **We have much to be thankful for.**
    - **As individuals:**
    - **As a congregation:**
  - **Our gratitude should be evident.**
    - **Paul exhorted the Colossians to be thankful.**  
**Colossians 1:12, 2:7, 3:15**
    - **Let us guard against becoming “unthankful.”**  
**Romans 1:21**