

Volume 6 Chronicle 2018022502 Where two are gathered

Today's world is concerned about big, bigger, and equates biggest with best. When I was growing up small, medium and large seemed adequate to describe size. Then came extra large, followed by extra extra large. Now we have 4X. I suppose that is extra extra extra extra large. We also have mega and supersize.

Unfortunately, the drive for supremacy in size has crept into the sanctuaries across our great land. We have fellowships that classify themselves as mega churches. I wonder if they have ever pondered the significance of this scripture? Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them (Matthew 18: 20 ASV). I believe the significance of the number two has direct relationship to the marriage covenant. There came unto [Jesus] Pharisees, trying Him, and saying, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause? And He answered and said, Have ye not read, that He who made them from the beginning made them male and female, and said, For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife (Matthew 19: 3-6 ASV). The importance of a mother and father is that they are the smallest unit of a family. When they are blessed with children their number increases. Thus, the significance of small numbers, two and three, indicate Jesus is in their midst. Scripture teaches it is the father's obligation to instruct his children in the way of the Lord. The father and mother were blessed in holy matrimony and God was present. Why wouldn't He be present in instruction to the family covered by the covenant? Any congregation is comprised of families. Families are two or more. "Their are many members of the body" acknowledges individual families comprise the body of Christ.

Christians have responsibility to be stewards in the Kingdom. A steward does not own anything. The Master has ownership. When Christians forget the Holy Spirit is in the drivers seat they quench the Holy Spirit! A good steward knows all the cattle on all the hills belong to the Master. They should remember the Holy Spirit quickens the hearts of every sinner to confess Jesus Christ. Everyone making

confession is a member of the church of God that Jesus Christ built. Jesus is the Master. His body is a mega church. It does not belong to the stewards.

Stewards are not responsible for numbers. The Holy Spirit is.

Stewards are responsible for **teaching**. The great commission places emphasis on teaching twice; Go ye therefore, and **teach** all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: **teaching** them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world (Matthew 28: 19-20 KJV).

Every member of the body has significance. None is more important than another. Each member is owned by the Master.

Why do we fret about who worships where?