

## FELLOWSHIP

- I. Fellowship as mentioned in the New Testament.
  - A. Gk: Koinonia
  - B. Translated as "fellowship." Acts 2:42
  - C. Translated as "contribution." Rom 15:26
  - D. Translated as "communion." I Cor 10:16
  - E. Translated as "distribution." II Cor 9:13
  - F. Translated as "communication." Philemon 6
  - G. Basically means a relationship with or participation with.
  - H. More than just a casual acquaintance with someone.
  
- II. We are to have no fellowship with the world.
  - A. No fellowship with works of darkness. Eph 5:11
  - B. Are not to love the world. I Jn 2:15
  - C. God has not fellowship with wicked. Mt 7:21-23, II Thes 1:7-9
  - D. Paul warns against it. II Cor 6:14-18
  
- III. When can we begin fellowship with another?
  - A. When they obey the gospel. II Thes 2:14
  - B. Obedience to the gospel saves us. Rom 1:16
  - C. Baptism puts us into Christ and in fellowship with the saved.
    1. Acts 2:38
    2. I Cor 12:13
    3. Gal 3:26-27
    4. Col 1:12-13
  
- IV. What hinders fellowship and when should we break fellowship?
  - A. Sin that refuses to be repented of. Mt 18:15-17
  - B. When one refuses to change his false doctrine. Tit 3:10
  - C. When one walks disorderly. II Thes 3:6-7
  - D. Then one insists on being disobedient to the word. II Thes 3:14-15
  - E. When one causes division. Rom 16:17
  - F. Christians who are morally impure. I Cor 5:1-13
  - G. False teachers. I Tim 6:3-5, II Jn 9-11
  
- V. What should not hinder fellowship.
  - A. Liberties. Rom 14:5
  - B. Traditions that do not conflict with God's law.
  - C. Opinions not bound by law. ex. order of worship. Acts 15:36-41
  
- VI. False ideas about fellowship.
  - A. Unity in diversity.
  - B. Ecumenical movements sweeping our nation.
  - C. All roads lead to heaven.
  - D. The attitude that it doesn't make any difference.
  - E. Truth is subjective and one version is as good as another.
  - F. There are many ways to God. ex. Buddhism, Judaism, Christianity.