

THE BALANCED CHURCH

When Paul wrote to the church in Colossae, he said he prayed for them. He also said he was thankful that they had two great qualities. These twin qualities are found in every great church. They are absolutely necessary for success.

First, he says they have faith in Christ Jesus. Faith is the victory that overcomes the world. Without faith it is impossible to please God. This church has it. They truly believe in Jesus. They trust Jesus. They worship Jesus. They obey Jesus. Their faith in Jesus is known by others and talked about.

The other twin quality is “the love they have for all the saints.” Jesus prayed that His people would love one another. The church in Colossae did just that. They loved the Christians they knew and the ones they didn’t know. They loved all the saints. They knew you cannot love God and not love His children.

These two qualities are absolutely necessary for us to get to heaven and be acceptable here. Because they excelled in these, there is a harvest being produced all over the world. V6

It is time to do some self examination. Do I have these two essential qualities? Would we be described as a people who have faith in Jesus and love one another?

Paul