

2021 "It's Time for Your CheckUp."

Selected Scriptures

The New Year is a time we routinely examine our goals. Those goals might be physical/emotional, financial or spiritual. Maybe we determine to exercise more, eat less, stop negative behaviors? How about we determine to make more money, save more or give more to charitable causes? Should be read more, spend less time on social media (yes). I do know this, you and I just being dissatisfied about our health, and not changing our diet/exercise, will amount to _____. Remember the old saying "the man who aims for nothing, hits it _____."

Do you think that it was a mistake that the Scripture teaches the church is the _____ of Christ? Just like we have baselines for our physical bodies, blood pressure, pulse rates, blood levels, etc., there are baselines for churches as well. Those marks of healthy bodies also can translate over to marks of healthy churches.

- 1) Covid-19 has not surprised God.
- 2) It's the perfect time for church to re-establish their _____ and _____ for existing.

- 3) It's the perfect time to make sure a church is indeed _____ and to know the _____ of healthy churches.
- 4) _____ behaviors in churches are sometimes _____ than current behaviors.

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The foundational mark in a healthy church is what has been called _____ preaching. If a church misses this first one, it's likely the others are not present. This kind of preaching is in contrast to other styles, most commonly called _____ preaching. Topical preaching lends itself only to topics that _____.

Expository preaching finds its source in _____, having been carefully prepared and interpreted in its context. This message clearly explains the original God-intended meaning of the text. (MacArthur). This type of preaching will tend to present itself preaching through books of Scripture, line by line, with Scripture being the better interpreter than _____ norms. Expository preaching reveals

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that the _____ is far more important than
the _____.

A healthy church is one that hears the Word of God
and continues to hear the Word of God. A healthy
church is composed of individual Christians who hear
and continue to hear the Word of God. (Dever)