

What kinds of work should churches do – “this church”

1. Endorse a political candidate
 2. Start business to make more money to spread gospel
 3. Provide rehabilitation for addicts
 4. Provide counseling for the abused
 5. Provide day care
 6. Offer Christian schooling
 7. Sponsor a basketball team
 8. Get involved in community services
- These are good works...does that mean it would please God if the church does these things

There is a way that seems right to
a man, but its end is death

Prov 3:4-5 Lean not on own understanding

Prov 14:12 A way that seems right to a man

Is 55:8-9 My thought are not your thoughts

Jer 10:23 A man's way is not in himself

Jer 17:5-8 Cursing – Blessing

We must try to seek God and His ways with all our
heart

What were the very first churches involved in??

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| I Cor 5:1-13 | Discipline (purity & unity) |
| I Cor 11:17-22 | Partake of Lord's supper |
| Col 1:9 | Grow in spiritual understanding |
| Eph 4:11-16 | Apostles, prophets... |
| Phil 4:15-16 | Support preaching |
| I Cor 16:1-2 | Give to needy saints |
| I Tim 3:15 | How to conduct ourselves in house of God |
| Eph 1:17-23 | Pray for spirit of wisdom & revelation |

The kinds of things the early church was involved in was spiritually centered

What reasons for following Christ would be pleasing to Jesus

John 6:26-29, 47, 48, 56, 63 Seek spiritual things

I Peter 2:5 We are a spiritual house

I Cor 2:14 -3:15 We discern spiritually

Heb 10:19-25 Stir up love & good works

Our focus for the church needs to be spiritually centered.

The work Jesus came here to do was spiritually based

Satan uses physical things to separate us from spiritual matters

Focusing upon the spiritual will lead to our fulfilling physical responsibilities

James 1:27 Visit the fatherless & orphans

Gal 2:10 Remember the poor

Matt 25:31-40 Give a cup of water to the Lord

The one person who could feed all the hungry and cure every sickness does not do so. But He does give the most important thing of all, His son for our sins.