

Geared Into Things Eternal

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The Christian church must live to gear itself into things eternal and to live the life of heaven here upon earth.

Scripture: Acts 2:1

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Description

A.W. Tozer emphasizes the significance of the Holy Spirit's coming on Pentecost as a pivotal moment for the Christian church, urging believers to focus on eternal matters and to embody the life of heaven on earth. He stresses the necessity of yielding complete loyalty to Jesus Christ, asserting that anything less diminishes the church's integrity. Tozer expresses a preference for a small, faithful gathering over a large, doctrinally unsound congregation, highlighting that a Spirit-filled church will be marked by joy, usefulness, and compassion. He calls for the church to be a positive influence in the community, reflecting the true essence of Christian living.

Transcript

The coming of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost was a gracious experience of fulfillment and blessing and direction for the Christian church. It was the continuing emphasis for believers that we must live to gear ourselves into things eternal and to live the life of heaven here upon earth. We must yield our first obedience and loyalty to Jesus Christ, at any cost! Anything we try to offer God that is less than that really is a degradation of the Christian church. Frankly, I would rather be a member of a group that meets in a little room on a side street than to be part of a great activity that is not New Testament in its doctrine, in its spirit, in its living, in its holiness, in all of its texture and tenor.

The Spirit-filled and Spirit-led congregation will be a joyful people.

Beyond that, it will be useful and caring and compassionate! I do believe that the Christian church ought to be a helpful influence to the whole community!

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