

# Does the Bible say we should belong to a religion?

Many people go to church on Sunday. Others feel that as long as they believe in God, they don't need to belong to an organization. What does the Bible say?

Hebrews 10:24, 25 says, "And let us consider one another to incite to love and fine works, not forsaking the gathering of ourselves together, as some have the custom, but encouraging one another, and all the more so as you behold the day drawing near."

Christians are to meet together regularly, encourage one another and incite to love and fine works, not just fill a pew and let someone else tell them what to think.

Music is an appropriate part of worship. Ephesians 5:18b, 19 says,



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- use it or lose it

"Keep getting filled with the spirit, speaking to yourselves with psalms and praises to God and spiritual songs, singing and accompanying yourselves with music in your hearts to God."

Matthew 10:7, 8 say that religious instruction and help is to be given at no charge: "As you go, preach, saying, 'The kingdom of the heavens has drawn near.' Cure sick people, raise up dead persons, make lepers

clean, expel demons. You received free, give free."

Christians today don't still have those gifts of the holy spirit that the early Christians did, but the principle of giving free still applies.

That's not to say that donating to a religion is wrong, but it should truly be a donation, not a requirement.

2 Corinthians 9:7 says, "Let each one do just as he has resolved in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

Christian congregations should have overseers. 1 Timothy 3:1 says,

"If any man is reaching out for an office of overseer, he is desirous of a fine work."

Verses 2-7 of the same chapter list qualifications for overseers that include being moderate in habits, sound in mind, not a lover of money. 1 Timothy 3:8, 9 give qualifications for ministerial servants, who are to help the overseers: "Ministerial servants should likewise be serious, not double-tongued, not giving themselves to a lot of wine, not greedy of dishonest gain, holding the sacred secret of the faith with a clean conscience."

2 Corinthians 1:24 says the overseers are not elevated above the congregation: "Not that we are masters over your faith, but we are fellow

workers for your joy, for it is by your faith that you are standing."

Matthew 23:8-10 tell us they do not have special titles: "But you, do not you be called Rabbi, for one is your teacher, whereas all you are brothers. Moreover, do not call anyone your father on earth, for one is your Father, the heavenly One. Neither be called 'leaders,' for your Leader is one, the Christ."

2 Peter 5:2, 3 tells overseers: "Shepherd the flock of God in your care, not under compulsion, but willingly; neither for love of dishonest gain, but eagerly; neither as lord-ing it over those who are God's inheritance, but becoming examples to the flock."

Members of the Christian congre-

gation are people who have been taught from God's word and applied it in their lives, not ones who just show up once a week to fill a seat.

Jesus told his disciples at Matthew 28: 19, 20: "Go therefore and make disciples of people of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the holy spirit, teaching them to observe all the things I have commanded you. And, look! I am with you all the days until the conclusion of the system of things."

The Bible is the basis for Christian teachings and provides many instructions about how congregations should be organized and what role the overseers and members of the congregation should play.

## Library adds books, cassettes, compact discs to collection in July

The Goodland Public Library has the following books, cassettes and compact discs as of July 1:

In adult fiction: "Act of War," by Dale Brown; "Shadows," by Edna Buchanan; "One Shot," by Lee Child; "The Closers," by Michael Connelly; "Marker," by Robin Cook; "The Twelfth Card," by Jeffery Deaver; "Eleven on Top," by Janet Evanovich; "Killing Time," by Linda Howard; "Rage," by Jonathan Kellerman; "Fame," by Karen Kingsbury; "Velocity," by Dean Koontz; "The Revelation," by Beverly Lewis; "Marriage Most Scandalous," by Johanna Lindsey; "Beyond the Gathering Storm," by Janette Oke; "Appaloosa," by Robert B. Parker; "Dance of Death," by Douglas Preston; "Lie By Moonlight," by Amanda Quick; "Black Rose," by Nora Roberts; and "Dev-

il's Corner," by Lisa Scottoline.

In adult non-fiction: "How to Win Friends and Influence People for Teen Girls," by Donna Carnegie; "U.S. National Debate Topic, 2005-06 — Civil Liberties;" "Under and Alone," by William Queen; "Inside the Criminal Mind," by Stanton Samenow; "Roget's 21st Century Thesaurus in Dictionary Form;" "You — the Owner's Manual;" by Michael Roizen; "Budget Makeovers," by *Woman's Day*; "2005 North American Coins and Prices;" "Best Plays Theater Yearbook, 2003-04;" "The Boys of Pointe du Hoc," by Douglas Brinkley; "1776," by David McCullough; and "The Colonel and Little Missie," by Larry McMurtry.

In children's books: "Baby Einstein-Baby da Vinci: My Body," by Julie Aigner-Clark; "Bears," by

Ruth Krauss; "Everyone Makes Mistakes," by Christine MacLean; "The Baby Beebe Bird," by Diane Massie; "Junie B., First Grader: shipwrecked," by Barbara Park; "The Emerald Wand of Oz," by Sherwood Smith; "The Pick of the Litter," by Bill Wallace; "McDuff's

Wild Romp," by Rosemary Wells; "Merriam-Webster's Primary Dictionary;" "I Spy — a Book of Picture Riddles," by Walter Wick; and "What a Hoot!"

In audio books: "The Wizard of Oz," by Frank Baum (CDJF); "Dangerous Ground," by Larry Bond

(CD); "Boys of Pointe de Hoc," by Douglas Brinkley (CD); "Act of War," by Dale Brown (CD); "The Closers," by Michael Connelly (CD); "Twelfth Card," by Jeffery Deaver (CD); "Rage," by Jonathan Kellerman (CD and AC); "The Revelation," by Beverly Lewis (AC);

"Marriage Most Scandalous," by Jonathan Lindsey (CD); "1776," by David McCullough (CD); "Appaloosa," by Robert B. Parker (CD); "Dance of Death," by Douglas Preston (CD); "Lie of Moonlight," by Amanda Quick (CD); and "Black Rose," by Nora Roberts (CD).



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- Write down as many words (at least 3 letters) that you can think of using the word "Sunshine"
- Do not use proper names
- Bring your completed list to The Goodland Star-News office at 1205 Main or at our booth at the Fair by 12:00 p.m. by Monday, August 8th

Winners will be announced in the Friday, August 12th edition

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## Worship warms the heart



### Calvary Gospel Church

**Pastor:** Rev. Steve Rains  
Fourth & College • 899-3605  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:15 am  
Morning Service: 10:30 am  
Small Group Ministries  
**Wednesday:** Prayer and Worship: 7:00 p.m.  
Youth @ the Rock House: 7:00 p.m.

### Our Lady of Perpetual Help

**Pastor:** Father Norbert Dlabal  
307 W. 13th • 890-7205  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
4:30-5 pm Saturday or by appointment  
**Mass Schedule:**  
**Saturday:** 6 pm, **Sunday:** 10:30 am  
**Spanish Mass:**  
**Sunday:** 4 pm

### Sonrise Christian Church

Ninth & Caldwell • 899-5398  
**Minister:**  
**Youth Minister:**  
**Sunday:** Worship Service: 9:30 am  
Sunday School: 10:45 am  
**Wednesday:**  
Junior/Senior High Meeting: 7 pm  
Adult & Children's Classes: 7 pm

### Word of Life Foursquare Church

10th & Clark • 899-5250  
**Pastor:** John Coumerilh  
**Service Schedule:**  
**Sunday:** Worship Celebration  
and Kids' Church: 10:30 am  
First Wednesday: K.W.A.M.!  
Grades 1 through 5: 7 p.m.

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**Pastor:** Charlie Busch  
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**Sunday:** Worship Service: 9 am  
Sunday School: 10 am  
Evening Service: 6 pm

### Bible Baptist Church

**Pastor:** Glenn Hermanson  
Fifth & Broadway  
890-7368  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9 am  
Morning Service: 10 am  
Evening Service: 6:30 pm  
**Wednesday:** Evening Bible Study: 7 pm

### Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

1200 15th Street • Burlington, CO  
(719) 346-7984  
**Sacrament Meeting:** 10 am  
**Sunday School:** 11:15 am  
**Priesthood/Relief Society:** 12 am

### Iglesia Del Dios Vivo

La Luz Del Mundo  
Spanish Speaking Church  
**Minister:** Esteban Ortiz B.  
1601 Texas • 899-5275  
**Daily Prayer:** Sunday thru  
Saturday: 5 am & 6 pm  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 10 am

### United Methodist Church

**Brewster:**  
**Pastor:**  
Worship Service: 10:45 am CST  
Sunday School: 9:45 am CST  
**Winona:**  
**Minister:** Rev. Bob Winters  
Worship Service: 9 am CST  
Sunday School: 10:15 am CST

### First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

**Pastor:** John Park Winkler  
Eighth & Arcade • 890-5233  
**Sunday:** Worship Service: 10:30 am  
**Sunday School:** 9:15 a.m.  
**Activities:** Junior High & High School Youth Groups,  
Adult Bible Study, Choir, Men's and Women's Groups,  
Devotions Study, Monthly Fellowship  
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### Kanorado United Methodist Church

**Pastor:** Leonard Cox  
399-2468  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9 am  
Worship Service: 10:15 am

### Church of the Nazarene

**Pastor:** Bob Willis  
Third & Caldwell  
899-2080 or 899-3797  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:45 am  
Worship Service: 10:50 am  
Evening Service: 6 pm  
**Wednesday:** Evening Service: 7 pm

### First United Methodist Church

1116 Sherman  
899-3631  
**Pastor:** Rev. Janet Hernandez  
**Saturday:** Informal Worship: 5:30 pm  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:15 am  
Worship Service: 10:30 am

### Goodland Bible Church

109 Willow Road • 899-6400  
**Pastor:** Chad DeJong  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:30 am  
Morning Worship: 10:45 am  
Evening Worship: 6 pm  
**Wednesday:** AWANA (Winter)  
and prayer: 7 p.m.

### First Baptist Church

**Pastor:** Travis Blake  
Fifth & Center • 890-3450  
**Sunday:** Sunday School for all ages:  
9:15 am (Child care provided)  
Morning Worship: 10:30 am  
**Wednesday:** Bible study 7 p.m.  
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**Thursday:** Bible study 9:30 a.m.  
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### Grace Fellowship Church

104 E. Hwy 24 • 890-6423  
**Pastor:**  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 10 am  
Worship Service: 11 am

### Seventh Day Adventist Church

1160 Cattletrail  
**Pastor:** Jim Martin  
**Saturday:** Sabbath School: 9:30 am  
Worship Service: 11 am

### Emmanuel Lutheran Church

13th & Sherman • 890-6161  
**Pastor:** Scott Grimshaw  
**Sunday:** Christian eduction/fellowship:  
10:15 a.m.  
Worship Service: 9 am  
**Wednesday:** Confirmation: 6 pm

### Church of Christ

401 Caldwell  
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**Sunday:** Bible Study: 9:45 am  
Worship Service: 10:45 am  
**Wednesday:** Bible Study: 7 pm

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