

The only interest the church has in money: it's a form of energy, a kind of fuel which can be used to bless people spiritually.

The kind of man who says, "All the church cares about is money," is telling you more about himself than about the church. The church has absolutely no terminal interest in money whatsoever. The church merely wants to assist the brethren by translating the root of all kinds of evil which the brethren can't take with them into treasures which moth and rust cannot destroy.

If you ever again hear anybody else make the statement, you'll be prepared to set them straight.

-- William S. Banowsky

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The time to protect against the electric chair is while the baby is in the high chair.

The time to teach obedience to authority is in the play pen instead of the state-pen.

The time to counsel a young person about marriage is before they fall in love.

The time to teach people the Bible truth about divorce is before they marry.

The time to be a friend is before someone dies--not after.

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## LA GRANGE CHURCH OF CHRIST

### EXHORTER

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### Schedule of Regular Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:30 A. M.
Worship Services	10:30 A. M.
Evening Worship	7:30 P. M.
Thursday Evening Bible Study	7:30 P. M.

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Poor church  
attendance  
will kill  
any  
sermon.

### WHY ATTEND CHURCH?

1. Because the church is God's family--a blessing to you, to your family, to your community.
2. Because the church deserves to live. But the church will perish unless her services are attended.
3. Because you deserve to live, but your soul will fade away if you neglect the church.
4. Because your friends and family need to attend. Your attendance encourages them to attend. Your absence encourages them to be absent.

## "ALL THE CHURCH CARES ABOUT IS MONEY"

Have you ever heard that statement? If you are associated with a dead and do-nothing church, then perhaps you haven't. But if the congregation you worship with sends missionaries, houses orphans, feeds the hungry, and clothes the needy, then somebody occasionally complains: "All the church cares about is money."

If the charge is true, it puts the church in bad company. The one indictment that can be consistently brought against every sordid segment of society is: "All they care about is money."

All the liquor industry cares about is money. That is a true statement despite the fact that it is seldom said. Liquor interests have no regard for a man's family. They don't care about accidents and mangled bodies caused by drinking. They do not care about "skid row" and the human lives left shattered.

All the tobacco companies care about is money. They don't care about stained fingers, lips, lungs, or perhaps even the cancer to which they have contributed. They don't care about wasted budgets.

Now what about the church? The church cares about the lost and the dying. The church cares about the home and the community, about immorality and lawlessness.

The church must not care much about money because it gives away every penny it can get its hands on to advance the kingdom of God. Here's

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Time is just a little strip of light between two darkneses. Some complain of not having enough while others bicker about too much on their hands. The truth is, all men have the same amount and can be tyrannized by it.

### TIME IS IMPORTANT

1. Because there's so little of it. Like life it appeareth for a while and then vanisheth. So little is there of it that counting time is not so important as making time count.
2. Because so much is already gone. Generations are crowding each other off the stage in swift succession. Today, now is all important. Perhaps you have a nine year-old daughter. Has it occurred to you that she has already been a blessing in your home one-half as long as you can normally have her? Time is running out and the clock of Life is wound but once. Better decide now what will last beyond time and attend to it.
3. Because what remains is uncertain. "Boast not thyself of tomorrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth" (Pro. 27:1). No clock has been invented that will keep time tomorrow. It's within the province of man to plan for tomorrow. But it is the fool who never thinks of the end of tomorrows.

The uncertainty of tomorrow says nothing as distinctly as it says that we must be prepared to meet the Lord.

--Ronald Milton - Tulsa, Okla.