

STRATEGY GROUP FOR REFORMATION

in Churches



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1. What ministry experience and church responsibilities do you have?

Music, campus ministries, missionaries, preaching, pastoring, Evangelism and counselling.

2. Which church affiliation backgrounds are represented here today?

NGK, CESA, KSB, Baptist, Brethren, Anglican, Presbyterian, Pentecostal and Moravian.

3. What do you see as the main challenges facing the church today?

Secularisation. Sin is not preached. Too comfortable. Submission to the Lordship of Christ. We need bravery and courage. Fear of God is needed. Relationship with God. Worship. Understanding the Will of God. Passive members. Salvation. The need to be involved. Shift from content to experience in services. Connections/fellowship within congregations is often lacking.

4. What are our strengths?

The Word of God. The Power of Prayer. Worship. The harvest is huge. Faith, love and forgiveness. Our Christian Heritage, Church buildings and resources, funds, sermon audio, films and equipment.

5. What are our weaknesses?

Prayerlessness. TV addiction. Worldliness. Not practising what we preach. Idols. Shallow experience. Entertainment-orientated services. Paganism has infiltrated our churches: We are competing with Hollywood. Body piercing. Compromise. Prosperity cults. False gospels have hardened and inoculated many against the Gospel. Materialistic lack of humility in all too many leaders.

6. What are our opportunities?

Stop and decide what I can do. Repent of our sins. Forsake the world. Take up our Cross. Self-denial. Political idols who have failed. Church programmes can be utilised for Evangelism, Discipleship and Reformation.

7. What are the most serious threats that we are facing?

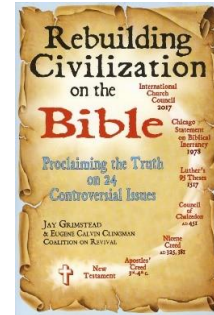
Worldliness. Materialism. Halloween. Satanism. Apathy. Complacency. Compromise. Godless schools. TV distraction. GayGB. Pink Agenda.

8. Essential Actions Local Churches Must Take:

We must use our Sunday schools and youth programmes to promote a Biblical Reformation.
 Use the young people or lose them!
 Start children's Bible study groups.
 Mobilise our churches.
 We need to first be right with God.
 Lay ourselves on the altar.
 Take up our Cross.

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