

“Be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord...” - 1 Cor 15:58

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“Understanding Expediency – Part 2”

An expediency is heaven's aid to Biblical fulfillment. Expediency is the answer to the question: “How do we carry out a Biblical command in the absent of specific instructions from God?” In order for something to be expedient, then it must meet all 5 of these Biblical qualifications. The 3 last week were:

1. It must be lawful first (*1 Corinthians 10:23*).
2. It must not add to or take away from established authority (*Proverbs 30:5-6*).
3. It must be expressly stated in Scripture already.

Let us conclude with the final 2:

It Must Edify The Saints (1 Corinthians 14:26)

What then, brothers? When you come together, each one has a hymn, a lesson, a revelation, a tongue, or an interpretation. Let all things be done for building up.

To edify means to build up. Whatever is used to aid in the fulfillment of a command must make the command easy to fulfill as the command itself. Listen to your Bible! In *1 John 5:3*, the Bible reads, *“For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome.”* If God's commands are not burdensome, then the fulfillment of those commands cannot be burdensome either. If it is, then it cannot be practiced as being expedient. Anything deemed expedient must build up the Christian & not tear them down.

It Cannot Be Bound As Lawful (1 Corinthians 6:12)

“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are helpful. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything.

We cannot bind our expediency as lawful on other local congregations because our expediency may not be their expediency & vice versa.

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