Fellowship is more than just spending time together—it is a spiritual practice that deeply shapes who we become. The term *fellowship* comes from the idea of *sharing*, and whatever you consistently share in, you begin to absorb its nature. This spiritual law applies in both the kingdom of God and the kingdom of darkness.

The Principle of Fellowship in the Spiritual Realm

Many people don't realize that the term witchcraft is derived from—to participate or share in something. Those involved in witchcraft are actually partaking in spiritual fellowship with demonic powers. Why? To receive spiritual influence—whether it's power, success, or favor—through unholy means.

For example, a person may visit a witchdoctor to get a charm or potion intended to attract customers to their business. What's really happening is spiritual fellowship with a demonic spirit. That spirit may bring some temporary success, but in the end, it turns against the person. Why? Because the devil's ultimate mission is to *"steal, kill and destroy"* (John 10:10). Without participating in that fellowship, the demonic influence wouldn't take effect.

Fellowship in God's Kingdom Works the Same-But in Righteousness

This same principle works in the Kingdom of God, but in a holy and lifegiving way. If you're in the church but only attend passively—coming and going without truly connecting to God or His people—you're not partaking in the spiritual strength and character that comes through godly fellowship.

When we actively engage in the life of the church, we begin to take on the nature of Christ. As Paul wrote in **Romans 8:29**

"For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son..."

This transformation doesn't happen in isolation. It happens in fellowship.

Three Key Aspects of Christian Fellowship

1. Serving the Body of Christ

When you serve in church—whether by teaching, cleaning, giving, building, or helping in any way—you're not just doing a job; you're engaging in spiritual partnership with God's people. In doing so, you receive spiritual strength, encouragement, and growth.

1 Corinthians 12:27 says:

"Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."

1. The Lord's Table (Holy Communion)

Communion is not just a ritual—it's a profound act of spiritual fellowship with Christ. Paul explains this powerfully:

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

"Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all share the one loaf."

Taking communion unites us with Christ and with one another. Jesus emphasized this in **John 6:53**

"Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you."

2. Washing One Another's Feet (Humility and Love)

Jesus modeled servant-hearted fellowship by washing His disciples' feet. When we serve others humbly, we receive grace to love more deeply and genuinely.

John 13:14-15 "Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you."

Why Fellowship Is Essential to Spiritual Growth

The Christian life isn't meant to be lived alone. If you want to grow in the fruit of the Spirit—love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness (Galatians 5:22-23)—you must remain in regular, active

fellowship with Christ and His body, the Church.

The early Church is our model. After 3,000 people were saved on the day of Pentecost, Scripture tells us:

Acts 2:42

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer."

They didn't just attend church—they built lives of deep, shared community rooted in Christ.

So don't avoid the fellowship of the Lord.

It's not just beneficial—it's vital. It brings life, transformation, and spiritual power. Outside of that fellowship, we remain spiritually disconnected and weak. But within it, we grow strong in Christ and reflect His nature to the world.

May the Lord bless you and draw you deeper into fellowship with Him and His Church.

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