THE ONE-PERSON CHURCH
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Have you ever thought about what the church would be like if all its members were like you?

Think of what church fellowship could be if everyone prayed and read the Bible as you do. Imagine what missionary work would be like if all church members took the same time as you do to share the truth with others. Imagine what church upkeeping and mission investment would be like if all members returned tithes and offerings as regularly as you do. Do you like what do you imagine?

What would this church formed by people like you look like? The truth is, this one-person church already exists, and it’s you!

At times, we underestimate the influence of our actions or attitudes. We might think, “If I don’t give Bible studies, someone else will, and the message will be preached to the whole world,” or “If I’m not faithful in returning tithes and offerings, someone will, and there will be enough resources for the maintenance of the local church and the preaching of the gospel around the world.”

To some extent, this is true. God’s cause will triumph with or without my contributions, and the gospel will be preached worldwide, with or without my direct involvement.
Yet, the big question here is that this church, formed by me alone, always influences someone close to me—my children, spouse, parents, and siblings.

My commitment or negligence concerning God's faithfulness and mission can inspire or hinder those around me.

The most significant legacy that we may leave to our children is the example of a life wholly devoted to God's cause, leading them not only to imitate us but to even manifest greater zeal toward God's mission.

True love for Jesus is not manifested by words only, but by a life dedicated and committed to God's work.

As we return our tithe and Promise, which is our regular and systematic offering, may we put our desires last and God first.