

## Evaluating the Health of Your Church

We will examine key components that must be in place for church health and revitalization. Whether your church is a new church plant, small, struggling, plateaued, declining, or even somewhat healthy, we'll look at practical biblical principles that can position the church for God to do His greatest work, bringing about renewed life and vibrancy into the life of your church.

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- I. **It takes FOCUS** (Matthew 4:19; Luke 19:10; Matthew 28:19-20a; Acts 1:8b)
  
- II. **It takes FAITH** (Romans 1:14-16; Matthew 16:18b; Matthew 28:18-20)
  
- III. **It takes FORTITUDE** (Ephesians 6:19-2; 1 Timothy 2:1-4; 2 Timothy 4:5b; 1 Corinthians 15:58; Luke 14:23)
  
- IV. **It takes FUNDS** (Proverbs 3:9-10; Matthew 23:23; Mark 12:41-44; 2 Corinthians 9:6-8; 2 Corinthians 8:1-5; Luke 8:1-3)
  
- V. **It takes FREEDOM** (Mark 7:6-8; 1 Corinthians 9:19-22)

- VI. It takes FEARLESSNESS** (Proverbs 29:25; 2 Corinthians 10:10;  
2 Corinthians 11:23-28; 2 Timothy 1:7)
- VII. It takes FEEDING** (2 Timothy 4:1-2)
- VIII. It takes FAITHFULNESS** (1 Corinthians 11:1; 1 Timothy 3:1-7)
- IX. It takes FELEGATION** (Ephesians 4:11-12; Exodus 18:17-18)
- X. It takes FELLOWSHIP** (Acts 2:42-47; John 13:35; Philippians 4:4; Nehemiah 8:10)
- XI. It takes FIRST RATE** (Ecclesiastes 9:10; Colossians 3:17; Colossians 3:23;  
1 Corinthians 10:31; 1 Thessalonians 4:1; 1 Chronicles 29:2)
- XII. It takes FERVENCY** (James 5:16; James 4:2-3; 1 Timothy 2:1-4; Matthew 9:37-38;  
Zechariah 4:6; Ephesians 6:19-20; James 1:5)