

C. Be sure your cause agrees with your character. The passage in I Corinthians 6:19 ff reminds us that we are bought with a price and should glorify God. There are causes which are in themselves humane and worthwhile but do not have a spiritual motivation and may, in fact, have a spiritual disinclination. Your character as a believer should be seen in your activities and the issues of life. Every part of our work and living reflects in some way on what we are and in this case it will also reflect on the fellowship

III. Conclusion: As far as strengthening the local fellowship, there is a lot more to be said so this material is introductory at best. But it is something we do not often think of and in appropriating President Kennedy's famous line, it would be better to think about what we can do for the fellowship than what it can do for us. The preoccupation with our own needs often blinds us to the needs of others and that is not good. When you determine, however, to work for the strengthening of the fellowship you might make it a matter of prayer with some other warrior but in most cases it is a good idea to keep it to yourself and let the reality of your growth and help only become apparent in time as the Lord honors your testimony.

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## 10. CHATTANOOGA (1982, I think) COVENANT COLLEGE: THE PROVIDENCE OF GOD

*An Introductory Note:* I am not certain as to the year of the move to Covenant College on Lookout Mountain and while I have this date written on my message outlines---I keep wondering if it is right! We have discussed this sort of uncertainty before, I believe. The move was necessitated by a fire that destroyed a lot of the Asheville property and Covenant College, a Christian college high on the mountain was an available and friendly site. We were often above the clouds at Covenant and the conference has been continuously convened at this site until the time of my organizing these notes. Ironically in some ways, there were only a few people at Covenant that I did not know thanks to my association with Faith Seminary and a good many of the leaders of the Reformed Presbyterian Church Evangelical Synod who had launched this school in St. Louis in the fifties. As far as personnel were concerned, I felt right at home and, in addition, the Believers conference had been meeting here for a few years previous and we had also participated in