“Can Two Walk Together, Except They Be Agreed?”

Amos 3:3

Introduction:
A. It is great when two can walk together (Cf. Eccl. 4:9-12)
   1. Each can give the other strength, comfort and help.
   2. Walking together is of little value unless we are walking with God (Eph. 2:16).
B. It pays to walk with God (Gen. 5:22-24; 6:9).
   1. Enoch translated – to walk is to please God (cf. Heb. 11:5)
   2. Noah saved from flood.
C. To walk with God, we must agree with God.
   1. Israel did not walk with God because they disagreed with God. (Isa. 55:7-9)
   2. We must agree with God to walk with him (2 Cor. 10:5).
D. We notice some areas where men often find themselves in disagreement with God:

Discussion:
   A. God has revealed several actions one must take to be saved
      1. One must believe (John 3:16); repent (Lk 13:3); confess (Rom. 10:10); be baptized (1 Pet 3:21).
   B. Many do not agree with this plan.
      1. “I agree with all but baptism” (cf. Mt. 4:4).
      2. “I just don’t see it that way.”
      3. “That is just your opinion” – How so, if I read it right from the Bible.

II. The Nature of the Church.
   A. God has revealed what he wants the church to be like.
      1. It is to be one body (Eph. 4:4; Eph. 1:21,22).
      2. It has no exclusive name, but called by terms of relationship.
         a. Terms that showed to whom it belonged. (Rom. 16:16; 1 Cor. 1:1; Acts 20:28; 1 Tim. 3:15).
         b. Terms that showed its make up (Heb. 12:23; Col. 4:16; Rev. 3:14; 1 Thess. 1:1; 2 Thess. 1:1)
         c. Sectarian names are not found in God’s word.
      3. It given certain acts of worship to perform. (Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:2, etc.)
      4. It is given certain work to do. (Eph. 4:11, 12).
   B. There are evidences that men do not agree with God.
      1. They want many bodies, wearing human names.
      2. They want to worship and work as they see fit.

III. The Duties Assigned to Christians.
   A. Three common examples: (1) Heb. 10:25, (2) Matt. 6:33, (3) 1 Cor. 15:58).
   B. Brethren often show by their actions that they disagree.
      1. Assemble only when convenient and irregularly.
      2. Put relatives, property and entertainment, etc. before the Lord’s work.
      3. Stand for very little and given only token service to the work of the Lord.

Conclusion:
A. Do you agree with God on these things?
B. Why not show that you do by obeying?