The Prattmont Church of Christ is just what the name suggests,

a church that belongs to Christ. We are not a denomination; we are simply a group of Christians trying very hard to practice the teachings of our Head, Jesus Christ. The New Testament offers a complete pattern for what each local church should be like—its organization, its worship, its work, etc. We are committed to following that pattern. We cordially invite you to attend our services. We would

TIMES OF SERVICES:

Sunday

Bible Classes............9 A.M. Worship........... 10:00 A.M. Worship/Bible Study..5 P.M.

Wednesday:

Bible Study 7:00 P.M.

also welcome any comments or questions about this bulletin.

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Resolutions for the Husband (Part 1)

by Bryan Gibson

- 1. I will make the same resolution that Joshua did: "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15).
- 2. I will prepare my heart to seek, obey, and teach the law of the Lord, just like Ezra did (Ezra 7:9-10).
- 3. I will **not** discuss whether or not we're going to worship services, whether it's Sunday morning, or any other service. If our brethren are gathered together to worship the Lord, I plan for us to be there, and it will take more than a minor illness, more than a few aches and pains to keep us away (Hebrews 10:24-25; Acts 11:26; 20:7).
- 4. I will work together with you in the kingdom of the Lord, just like Aquila did with Priscilla (Acts 18:26; Rom. 16:3-4; 1 Cor. 16:19).
- 5. I will join with you in showing hospitality to our brethren (1 Peter 4:9).

- 6. I will **not** do like Lot did and take us somewhere to live that will clearly be detrimental to our family (Genesis 13:11-13).
- 7. I will gladly "spend and be spent" for your soul (2 Corinthians 12:15).
- 8. I will love you "fervently with a pure heart" (1 Peter 1:22).
- 9. So that you "know the love which I have so abundantly for you" (2 Corinthians 2:4), I will love you, not just "in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth" (1 John 3:18). In other words, I will "prove" my love to you (2 Corinthians 8:24).
- 10. And one of the ways I will prove my love is by listening to you. "Swift to hear and slow to speak" (James 1:19)—that will be my motto, toward God's word, toward you, and toward all others (Proverbs 17:27-28; 18:13; 29:20).
- 11. I will love you—even through the most difficult times. Christ doesn't abandon His bride during these times (Romans 8:35-39), and I won't abandon you. If we face financial difficulties, I will still love you, even if you're the cause of them. If you become overweight, I will still love you. If you become very ill and I have to spend all my time taking you to the doctor, I will still love you. If you become an invalid and can no longer do anything for me, I will still love you. God joined us together and I won't let anyone or anything tear us apart.
- 12. I will love you, even if you don't return it (Matthew 5:46; Luke 14:12-14). If you should ever say, "I don't love you anymore," I will keep right on loving you, and I will seek to win back your affections.

- 13. I will **not** give in to bitterness, no matter what you may say or do (Colossians 3:19).
- 14. I will **not** ever seek revenge against you. If you speak ill to me, I will speak kindly to you. If you throw something at me, I will pick it up and put it back where it belongs (Romans 12:17-21).
- 15. I will be kindly affectionate to you (Romans 12:10).
- 16. I will sacrifice my time, my body, all my material possessions—for the Lord I serve, and for you. I will gladly become poor so that you can be rich (2 Corinthians 8:9; 1 John 3:16-18). If we can't afford two new sets of tires, I will drive around with the bald ones. Should the situation call for it, I will even give my life for you.
- 17. I will praise, compliment, and encourage you (Proverbs 31:28-31), just as the Lord does His bride (e.g., 1 Cor. 11:2; Phil. 2:19-20, 25, 29-30).
- 18. I will do for you the very things I want you to do for me (Matthew 7:12).
- 19. I will appreciate the work you do in the home, especially the work you do in raising our children, because that's the most important work in the world (1 Timothy 2:11-15; 5:14; Titus 2:3-5).
- 20. I will **not** put more on you than you bear (Matt. 11:28-30; Gal. 6:2). I will **not** put more work on you than you can handle; I will **not** micromanage you; and I will **not** make it impossible to please me.

(More to come next week, if the Lord permits)