

Here's the thrust:

The truth and right application of the gospel are under constant attack. A gospel-submitted community is the intended context for preserving, spreading, and rightly applying the true gospel.

In this passage, community is the context for:

1. Defending the gospel against error
2. Affirming calling
3. Establishing camaraderie
4. Reinforcing priorities

Applications

- Confess and repent of any spirit of self-sufficient independence or superiority to others
- Beware of any works-based mentality
- In the context of a gospel-submitted community, express your doubts, your uncertainties, your confusions. Receive input!