

## **Top Ten Reasons Why Women's Ministries Will Fail**

By Emily M. Thompson

<b>1. Women do not seek the will of God</b>	We must always seek the will of God first!
<b>2. Lack of prayer</b>	Prayer is so vital in seeing that our Women's Ministry does not fail.
<b>3. Women's groups have no vision</b>	We seem to have the, "We like our group the size it is" syndrome.
<b>4. One person doing all the dreaming</b>	A huge red flag in knowing our ministry is going to flop is seeing one lady doing all the dreaming. There must be more than one person with the vision.
<b>5. No prep work</b>	When planning our calendars, let us not rush into planning lame events, but consider all roads and valleys.
<b>6. Not mission minded</b>	Ladies need to know the importance of being other-oriented.
<b>7. Lack of concern</b>	Your ministry will end up flopping if the majority does not see a need for new growth of non-Christian women.
<b>8. Lack of leaders</b>	Your group will need plenty of leaders to keep enthusiasm!
<b>9. Lack of followers</b>	Your group will also need plenty of followers to keep the group rolling.
<b>10. Lack of spiritual maturity</b>	You need to seek God at every meeting and grow together!

## **Ten Reasons Why Women's Ministries Will Succeed**

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<b>1. Prayer</b>	Pray like there will be no tomorrow. Pray as if situations involve your loved ones. Pray like your mom, dad, sister, husband, or child is in the Devil's clutches and it's the only way to get them out. Pray even when your prayers don't seem to make it off your lips. Like the days of old, hold on to the horns of the altar until you hear from God.
<b>2. Worship</b>	Is Jesus the love of your life? O come let us adore Him. He is worthy of our praise and longs for our worship. Worship. Commune with the Lord. Long for His presence, desire intimacy with the Saviour of your soul.
<b>3. Praise</b>	Make His praise glorious! Lift high the name of the Lord! Sing His praises until you wake up with praise on your tongue. Do not give place to the Devil, but extol the Lord! Enter in and go out with praise ringing in your heart. Praise Him because of Who He is. Who is He to you? Saviour, confidant, true friend, strong tower, healer? O, the many names of Jesus.
<b>4. Read</b>	The Word of the Lord, written by holy men as the Spirit moved upon them. My Lord used them to write a personal letter to me. To tell me how He loves me and what He has provided for me. He gives me advice on how to make my life productive and happy (as you know, He's been here too). He tells me how I can please Him and about the place He has prepared just for me. Not only these wonderful things, but also that He'll come again! The Bible says what it means and means what it says!
<b>5. Share</b>	The Great Commission of Jesus to the Church-"Go ye into all the world." Tell those you meet about your hope, not a wish or a dream, but hope. Jesus died for all. Not the righteous - but sinners. Our mandate is to tell them. Tell them on the highways. Tell them in the marketplace. Tell them in our homes. Tell them about Jesus.
<b>6. Supportive Friendship</b>	Live together in Christ. Lift up one another. Lean on one another. Share one another's ups and downs. Show forth the attributes of Christ to your friends.
<b>7. Tithe</b>	Don't forget to tithe to your church. It is the Lord's. You can either give it and be blessed, or have it taken away. The first fruits belong to Him. O, give Him your tithe and offerings, and reap the benefits from a God who already knows what tomorrow holds. Don't trust in treasures laid up for a rainy day, trust rather in Jesus.
<b>8. Time Management</b>	The buzz word of the corporate world today. Is it too secular? No! Jesus managed His time well. We must set aside a time for worship - communion with the Lord and study in the Word. Set aside time for family and loved ones, a time of gathering together and sharing. Time for ministry.
<b>9. Preparation</b>	What if Jesus comes tomorrow? How would I live today? Would it be business as usual, or would some things change?
<b>10. Watchful</b>	Look for Him! He might come today. What joy it is to know that Jesus is coming again and has laid up a crown of righteousness for those who love His appearing!