

question for your fish & friends who come over to go any long distance & go from house to house, in some cases perhaps bad security & you wouldn't want them to meet the other Family members, you could decide to have the Fellowship meetings on a Monday or perhaps a Saturday or some other day. Or you could change your Church of Love to another day or even an evening or Saturday afternoon.

**89. Saturday afternoon might be a good time for the big fellowship meeting of all Homes,** because most people are off & people are not usually working, children are home from school. These things are purely voluntary & should be adapted to your own particular situations & what you can do & what's best for you in your own situation & location. You can do it if you want to & if you think it will work for you, & if you don't or can't, then you don't have to!—But,

**90. We need to balance between the two: The need for security & the need for fellowship.** I think that we're going to have to strike some kind of a happy medium & not go to one extreme or the other. We started at the one extreme of total public fellowship & wide publicity, & we went to the opposite extreme of no Family fellowship, isolated Homes & no publicity & total security. And now we have got to learn to have some kind of Family Fellowship, even at some slight risk of security. The urgent need of fellowship in some cases is more than the need for security.

**91. I think that we can have Family Fellowship in security if we're wise.** (Maria: And perhaps this might be a way of even improving their security by getting together & deciding what they can do as Homes to be more secure.)

**92. There were always Judases in the Church,** you'll never be able to get rid of all the Judases. There will always be spies & traitors & backsliders. We cannot hinder the Work of God & stop the progress of the machinery just for the sake of a few mutineers. The best thing to do is just chuck them overboard & keep on going if you find them, but not just stop the whole ship & never go anywhere or sail anywhere or reach any goals or harbors or havens just because you're afraid to let your crew know where you're going or what you're doing! Amen? Happy Fellowship!



**1. In the Bible all the qualifications for bishops, elders & deacons are outlined & they are pretty strict.** The lives & example & behaviour of our VSs, & of course any of our leaders, should be the model for which the others should be striving. They should be such an example & such a model.

**2. VSing is really the work of an evangelist.** It's the work of both pastor & evangelist in this case, because the sheep are virtually pastorless except for me & the Letters. So it's the work of an evangelist.

**3. If there's anything an evangelist needs it's a lot of real charm & drive & personality & inspirational ability to really feed the sheep & inspire them & set them an example.**

**4. "Man looketh on the outward appearance, but God looketh on the heart."**—1Sam.16:17. The whole Family is not going to—when they first meet them—see all their life history & know how good & faithful they've been & how much they've done! The Family is going to look at them, & as my Mother used to say, "First impressions mean so much!"

**5. They'll judge by surface appearance & every little word.** "By thy words shalt thou be justified & by thy words shalt thou be condemned!"—Mt.12:37. And you'll have to give an account for every idle word, & it begins here & now with other people. You don't have to wait until you get to the Judgement Seat of Christ, but it's happening all the time.

**6. One of the worst things a VS can be is shy!** They can't afford to be shy. As I've always said: Shyness is pride! It's plain pride.