

"Why Christianity is So Offensive"

Steve Higginbotham

Why is it that many people are antagonistic toward Christianity and those who wear the name of Christ? Many might think it's because Christianity is too harsh, too narrow, too judgmental, and too irrelevant. But that's really not the reason. Truth be told, people find Christianity offensive for one surprising reason...LOVE.

Yes, love! I'm convinced that love is the one thing that makes Christianity too difficult and too offensive. Let me explain...

Love demands Christians to forgive (Matthew 18:21-22), but many people don't want to do that.

Love demands Christians to bless and treat their enemies with kindness (Romans 12:20), but many people don't want to do that.

Love demands Christians must rid their lives of racism and prejudice (James 2:1,9), but many people don't want to do that.

Love demands Christians to confront sin and sinners (Proverbs 27:6 ; Ephesians 5:11), but many people don't want to do that.

Love demands Christians to practice church discipline (1 Corinthians 5:4-5), but many people don't want to do that.

Love demands Christians to make great monetary sacrifices for the kingdom's sake (Acts 4:32-37), but many people don't want to do that.

Love demands Christians to give others the benefit of the doubt and don't judge their motives (1 Corinthians 13:4-7), but many people don't want to do that.

Love demands Christians to commit themselves to absolute allegiance and obedience to all that Jesus commanded (John 14:15), but many people don't want to do that.

Do you see my point? It's not that Christianity is too harsh, too narrow, too judgmental, too irrelevant; it's because Christianity commands "LOVE" and love is hard to obey. That's why Christianity is so offensive to some people. It's because the two greatest commands of Christianity, which undergird all of it, are to love God and love our neighbors as ourselves...and some people just don't want to do that. Give it some thought.



Welcome

TO
KOUNTZE
CHURCH OF CHRIST

May

"Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth."

Colossians 3:2

21st

Meeting Times

Sunday Bible Class – 9:30

AM Worship – 10:30

PM Worship – 1:30

Wednesday Night Bible Class – 7:00

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Today's Lessons

AM..... Jesus & The Law
PM.....The Betrayal of Peter

Men to Serve

Announcements.....Bud Wolcott
Song Leader..... Sterling McDonald
Opening Prayer.....
Communion Leader.....
Communion Servers.....

Sermon.....Corey Tackett
Closing Prayer.....

Announcements

- Please keep the husbands of Ruth & Caroyln in your prayers. They were both taken to the hospital yesterday.
- June 2nd there will be a Sister to Sister Launch Party at the Deatricks house. Please see Cindy for details.
- JUNE 10th we will be leading a workday at CROS

Records

Sunday AM.....54	Wednesday PM.....21
Sunday PM.....15	Contribution.....N/A

Upcoming Events:

June

- 2nd S2S Launch Party
- 10th CROS Workday
- 19th - 24th CROS Session 3

Visitors,

You are welcome and wanted. We are glad you made the decision to be with us.

If you have any questions or needs, please reach out to any of our members and we'll be more than happy to help you.

If you're looking for a Church home, we'd love the opportunity to study with you and have you join our congregation's family.

Prayer Requests and Updates

Members:

- Ed & Linda Bumstead
- Gaylon & Gladys Williams
- Fred Johnson
- Cozene & Dwaine Baker
- Ray Tyrone
- Shirly Morris

Family and Friends:

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| - Tony Wright | - Sandra Golden |
| - Steve Martinka | - Tammy Wright |
| - Linda Hindrex | - Jordan Whatley |
| - Mary Ann Hatton | - Jaunita Hatton |