



**COMMUNITY SERVICE BASED
CHRISTIAN CELEBRATION**

2012 Mar 4

***Helping our community with caring love while enabling them to
find and follow Jesus!***

Church for people disillusioned with church, who want to make a difference!

True love and caring . . .

Romans 12:9-17

Love must be honest and true. Hate what is evil. Hold on to what is good. Love each other deeply. Honor others more than yourselves. Never let the fire in your heart go out. Keep it alive. Serve the Lord. When you hope, be joyful. When you suffer, be patient. When you pray, be faithful. **Share with God's people who are in need. Welcome others into your homes.**

Bless those who hurt you. Bless them, and do not call down curses on them. Be joyful with those who are joyful. Be sad with those who are sad. Agree with each other. Don't be proud. **Be willing to be a friend of people who aren't considered important.** Don't think that you are better than others.

Don't pay back evil with evil. Be careful to do what everyone thinks is right. **If possible, live in peace with everyone.** Do that as much as you can.

Agenda (see news letter)

ACTIVITY	DURATION EXPECTED
INTRODUCTORY/ OPENING PRAYER	5 min
Gathering / Communicating Community needs	10 min
Gathering prayer needs	5 min
Prayer for community and praying for needs	15 min
Short Message/ Discussion /Helpful thoughts to remember from the bible	30 min
Gathering of the monetary contributions for the community work (tithes)	5 min
Praise and Worship Music (counting of monetary contributions, join in or get something to drink / eat at the same time)	15 min
Prayer for wisdom in distribution of monetary contributions	5 min
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Notes on Needs

High:

- Car – Richard and Barb wants to know if we can roadworthy it for L.
- M&L : Had to spend \$400 on vehicle, so have needs for a laptop computer, need chicken wieners/hamburgers, meat, eggs, bread, milk, etc. (have frozen vegetables)
- Cindy wood =done
- Needing help with mortgage \$315 -DONE

MEDIUM:

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Notebooks(140) 4 per bag. Nail clippers small towels.

Food pantry/community cupboard collection on 1st Sunday of each month
coffee, canned fruit, juice, vegetable cans

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Planning

LAST week

- Wood from H. for C.
 - Meet at 10am -DONE
- Use money for mortgage
\$315 -DONE
- Use \$130 for perishables
for M&L, Penny will buy,
Morry deliver. -DONE

Use K.H. truck, Richard
to organize this week
(see website for details)
-DONE

Car fix estimate \$105 now-review again

Test cost : \$85 -DONE

Needs: Brake cable/muffler clamp

License: \$37.50

Tax: \$400

Used vehicle kit \$20

See website

Sort message/ discussion

Being loyal and trustworthy

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You may be deceived if you trust too much, but you will live in torment unless you trust enough. ~Frank Crane

The only way to make a man trustworthy is to trust him. ~Henry L. Stimson

"Trust" is an action word and "distrust" an inaction word.



Trust is a hidden gift from one person to another, it is the exposure of our lives into the domain of control of another. It demonstrates our vulnerability to that person in a personal way!

Trust given cannot be taken back, but unfortunately it can be abused!

The pain that results from the abuse depends on how much we have revealed of ourselves in that trust, how important the trusted person is to us, and how badly they have taken the confidential special information imparted and thrown it into public view.

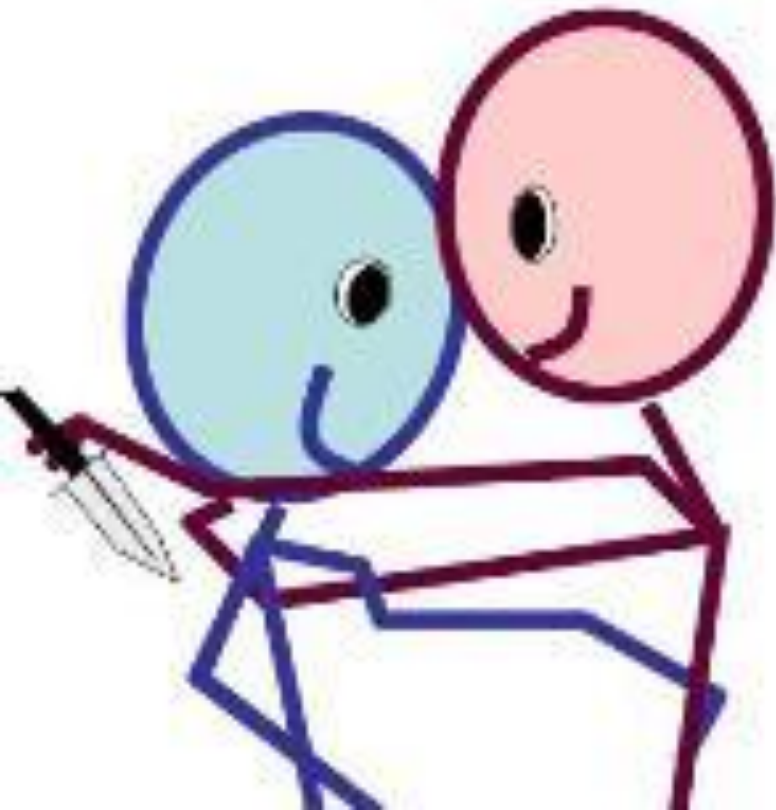


When people do this, doesn't it feel like we have had our private parts exposed and our relationship made public in a way that is not right?

So to protect ourselves we can stop trusting.

Unfortunately, never trusting others is equally damaging!

We will fail to develop deep relationships because depth of relationship depends on intimacy, and intimacy depends on trust. To love deeply, means we must trust extensively!



How do we do trust then?

We need to evaluate the words of others to see if their actions align with their words before we trust them. Watch to see how much alignment they get between what they tell us and what they do in relationships with others and ourselves.

Trust, view of life, and morals are close companions.

How much of what we see in others aligns with their stated view of life?

Can they even "state" their view of life?

Can **we** state our view of life, and **why good is good, and bad is bad?**

Do we have soft reasons like ***“because it makes me feel good”***, are we double minded and say ***“sometimes it’s good and sometimes it’s not”***, or do we take a Christian and perhaps other religions perspectives of saying what God says is good is good?

*But, am
I right,*

**Crazy thought, but without religion there is no absolutes of
right and wrong is there?**

There is only a slippery slope of opinions of others that influence
me!



*Public opinion
is right,
right?*

If the crowd
says we are
wrong, and
it's not good,
then it must
be right!

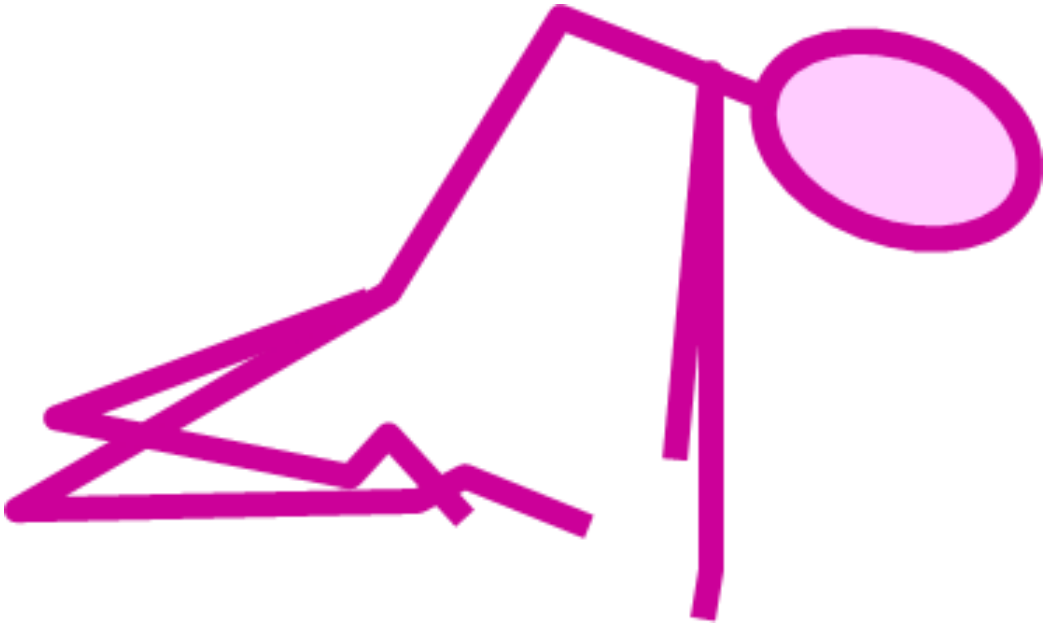
Do crowds
get things
right?

Public
opinion is a
poor guide
to morals!

Remember the crowd
voted Hitler into power
in Germany.



**It's known that some of
the highest incomes in
the television business
come from pornography.**



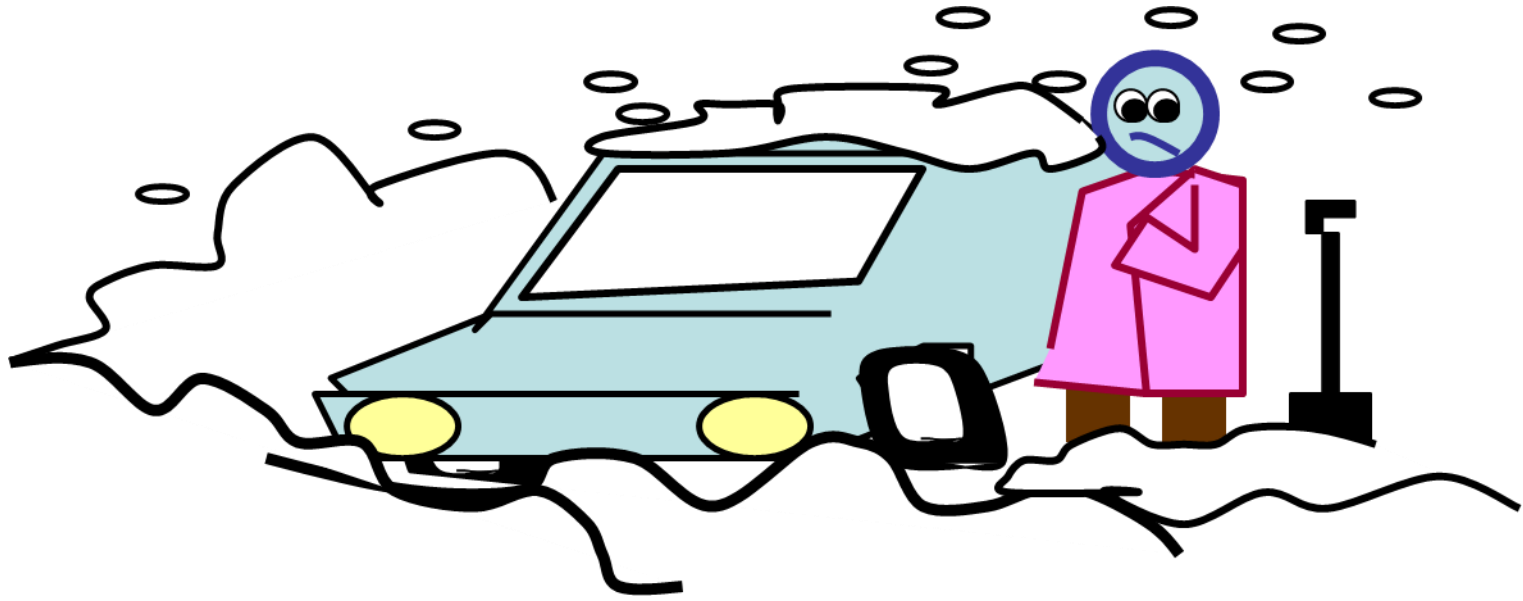


How much do you agree with that?

If the crowd is able to state what is right and wrong, we will soon see people persecuted for not being "immoral" right?

Maybe sex with minors will drop down to lower ages?

The ratings of what is good for young people to view certainly has lowered hasn't it?



*History shows that
man left to his own
devises screws up!*

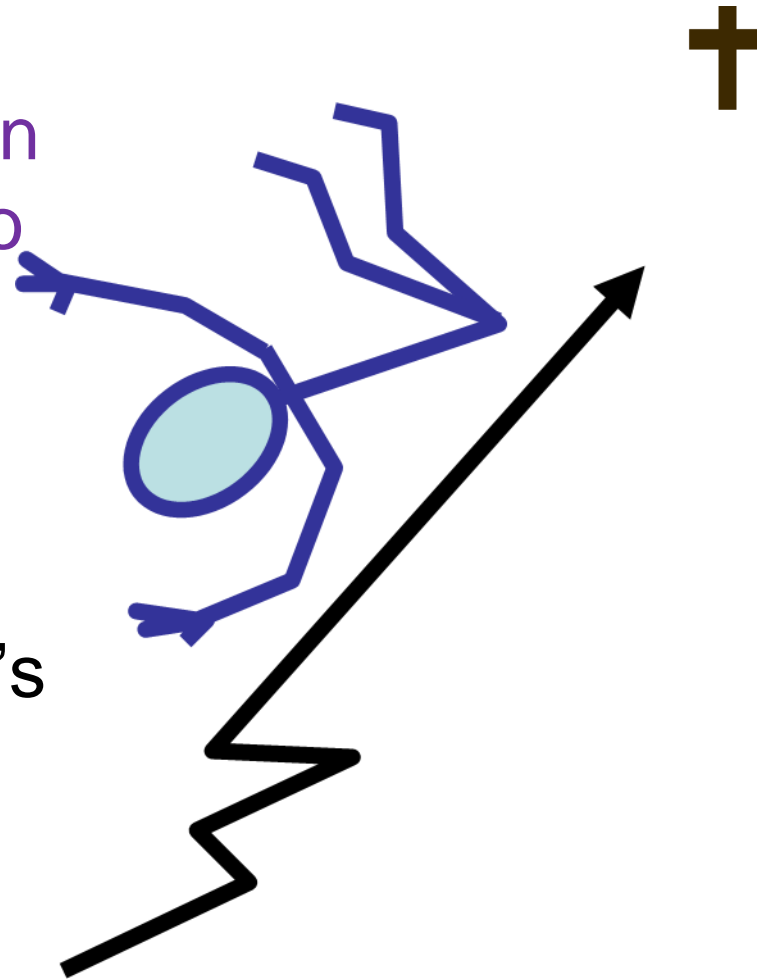
*How much to agree with
that statement?
If so, how much are you
willing to do to make
sure we don't screw up?*

So to have a good understanding of trust one has to turn to religion.

Being Christian, that means I turn to the bible as a sacred writing to find out about it, and I learn that God is the owner of what is right and wrong.

We can agree or disagree, but it's like a feather arguing with the wind, if we decide to disagree.

Our opinion is there, but it really is of little consequence if God is really God!



Then we read something amazing like:

1 Corinthians 4 This, then, is how you ought to regard us: as servants of Christ and as those *entrusted* with the mysteries God has revealed.

Now it is required that those who have been given a *trust* must prove faithful.

I care very little if I am judged by you or by any human court; indeed, I do not even judge myself.

My conscience is clear, but that does not make me innocent. It is the Lord who judges me.

Why is this amazing? Well it's amazing because the God of the universe has chosen to trust us! Unfortunately we have proven ourselves untrustworthy time and time again!

Fortunately for us God knows something important, the quote from Henry L. Stimson alludes to it. . . the only way to make a man trustworthy is to trust him.

God trusts us because he wants us to become more trustworthy.

God trust is based on faith in us not failing Him!

His friend, this guy, Paul, who wrote these things for us, points out **God having trusted us wants us to be faithful with the secret things he has entrusted to us!**

He wants us to treat what he gives us with respect and not abuse it publically or even in private.

He wants us to grow in strength and intimacy with himself. Have you noticed that those that are most intimate with God **are also those that are most enthusiastic to do what he asks?** (Sometimes they go overboard, but don't we all do that now and then?).

We need to hold God's truths honorably, but with great respect for those around us because they are not only respected but loved by God.



So, to be trustworthy, means firstly being **trustworthy to God** and **living our lives according to his truths**, and then it means **showing** (and not necessarily telling) **others how these truths make a difference in our lives** so that they know we are able to be trusted.

Then, when the trust is placed with us we should treasure these trusts and do our best to not abuse them.

That way we can improve not only our world, but our relationship with our Father God at the same time.

Now isn't that cool?

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Pass a hat! Gathering of any monetary contributions for the community work

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 - 142 for missions
 - 100 for food banks

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REPORT

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on

NOT A GOOD IDEA
Perhaps donate to people who can use it for a tax receipt

labour in body work
welding
rest about days work.

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