

COMMUNITY SERVICE BASED CHRISTIAN CELEBRATION 2013 June 16

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

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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.

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	PURSE TOTALS	\$	1,678	\$ 145.00	\$ 333.00	\$ 1,200.00
26-May-13	Income		360		360	
26-May-13	food for G.		-60		-60	
26-May-13	Food for L. (teen daughter and baby)		-250		-250	
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Apologetics

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Early Christian writers (c. 120–220) who defended their faith against critics and recommended their faith to outsiders were called apologists.

"Apologists." Cross, F. L., ed. The Oxford dictionary of the Christian church. New York: Oxford University Pre

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Acts 17:23

Then perhaps they would reach out for him and find him. They would find him even though he is not far from any of us. ²⁸ 'In him we live and move and exist.' As some of your own poets have also said, 'We are his children.'



ARE WE READY?

1 Peter 3:15

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CAN WE SAY WE ARE READY?

Someone questioned me a while back...how should I have answered? QUESTION 1

How did you find Christ?

Answer 1

A young boy had been caught by police for breaking and entering. He was thrown in jail. His father bailed him out. The boy knew he was guilty and was scared of the punishment. His father showed the boy money that relatives had got together to bail him out. There was a lot of it as the boy was well loved by his relatives.

His Father was so disappointed in him. Not angry! Just disappointed! That hurt! The young boy lay in his bed that night, desperately thinking of how to get out the situation.

In those years, punishment in Africa for youth that were found guilty of crimes like this was getting caned until they split the skin on your butt. Then, since you were tied down and naked, they put sacks of raw salt on the open wound to disinfect it. Shear pain!

Answer 1 continued?

The young boys had heard screams of people who had been given this treatment because his grandfather's house was about 1/3 km from where the police station was where this occurred.

The young boy decided to run away and steal his bail money from his parents. He decided on the route and then carefully listed in his head everything he needed to do.

As he finished, he asked himself "what have I left out?" It was dark that night and as he lay there he was desperately unhappy.

Then a miracle happened! The world flooded with love in a way he hadn't ever experienced before, waves upon waves of it.

Answer 1 continued?

Out of the darkness came light and Jesus appeared to him!

The young boy was asked one simple question "what about me?".

Knowledge of who it was that was asking, somehow appeared directly into the young boys mind, together with it's implications, and the *once off* nature of the question.

The boy thought carefully and decided on this answer, "Get me out this mess and I give my life to you!" was his answer!

Answer 1 continued?

The next day in court, his case was postponed.

Then a member of the board of the sports club he had broken into, approached the prosecutor to drop the case provided that the young boy joined the regions sports team each game, and helped the players.

Instead of punishment, he got a free season to *first class* sport viewing that many fans would have paid a lot for!

The case was dropped!

The young boy was me and my life belongs to God!

QUESTION 2

What do you think is the most important lesson God wants us to learn?

Love in it's purest form, flows from God!

What would you do if proven beyond a reasonable doubt that there really is no God?

That is impossible! That would be like someone asking me what I would do if proven beyond a reasonable doubt there is no *you!*

It's a really silly question when you know the person, right?

Do you have to be religious to be moral?

No, and *I don't think religion is worth much anyhow!*

QUESTION 5

If there is a God, could someone live a good life, but never really declare true faith, and still get into heaven?

Unfortunately not! Good lives mean little! What is good anyhow, unless it is measured against something? A Satanists good, may mean sacrificing another person. Is that good?

F. Do you think Christ accepts everyone, no exceptions?

Jesus loves everyone, no exceptions!

Whether they accept him and his gifts is a different question.

QUESTION 7

answered?

Do you believe that Christianity is a superior religion?

Does knowing you make me a superior or inferior person? Christianity isn't a religion to me!

I don't really like religions that don't understand that relationships is where true value is, and not ritual or procedures

Do you think someone of a different faith can get into heaven?

If there is a specific key to open a door, would any key do? We can argue all keys should open the door, but in reality only the right one does and no amount of discussion changes that, does it?

QUESTION 9

answered?

What do you want people to know about your religion?

I want them to meet the amazing wonderful God who loves me so much and has done such amazing things for me all my life.

Religion's and religiosity is the pits! Life with God in Jesus, empowered by Holy Spirit, and within the fullness of the Fathers love is the critical aspect that makes all the difference.

Would I like to introduce people to Jesus? Sure! Then they take it from there!

QUESTION 10

answered?

What does being Christian mean to you?

Loving Jesus is everything!

The label "Christian" that goes with it is unfortunate.

These directed questions show the attitudes many people have towards Christianity.

QUESTION 11

What is the biggest misconception you have had to clarify about your religion?

It's not a religion!

It's a

relationship!

QUESTION 12

answered?

How has being Christian had an impact on your everyday life?

In every way! I'm a better person, a more loving person. I want to help others, I care deeply for others, I want to live life to the fullest and have a positive understanding that life is purpose filled and wonderful!

I have a deep inner joy!

QUESTION 13

What is your view on homosexuality?

Why the question? Is it more important that other aspects of a person's life?

It's interesting that this one subject is used to try and paint people into corners.

God loves everyone, nobody less or more than another! God through his bible tells us to do the same!

I have lived together with a homosexual man. He respected me and my beliefs enough to come to me and tell me he wanted to change, and without my even ever discussing it with him. I didn't judge him and he knew it! Yet, he saw Jesus in me and wanted the change. He judged himself, not me. He told me he wanted to try and change to spend time with a woman.

QUESTION 13

What is your view on homosexuality?

When he told me he had a new girlfriend, I thought it was a male. He very excitedly told not that "no, it's a real girl!".

That was his decision and I have incredible respect towards him for it!

Whether a person is homosexual or not, doesn't change my attitude to them at all. I love people no matter what they do! I am not judging.

QUESTION 13 answered? What is your view on homosexuality?

I do however think people that follow this lifestyle are not enjoying the full sexual experience that God planned for a man/woman couple. Great sex is not even just male/female sex, but is sex under Holy Spirit's anointing as a loving married couple have intimate relationships. God suggests that we should be Christians, married under the power of his Holy Spirit, with him being part of that marriage, and many people also loose out on that!

Penny and I can confirm this is wonderful and want it for others. But that is their choice!

I have also probably made similar incorrect choices in different areas in my life that limit my growth. None of us does everything right for ourselves!

That is however not Gods problem, but ours, as we do have free choice.

QUESTION 14

answered?

What do you do to help spread the word of God?

Live and let others see a little bit of Jesus in my life, even if it's not the best view they could have!

Maybe it will help them?

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O How He Loves You and Me

I am every man

Wonderful merciful saviour

God of this city

Heavens Joy awaits

East is from the West

While you were sleeping

You raise me up

Light of my life

How great is our Great

Who am 1

Gentle Shepherd

Mighty to Save



Healer

Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing -older
Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing -Jars of Clay
Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary

Sacred head now wounded

Songs with lyrics

You are my hiding place

I Stand in Awe

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