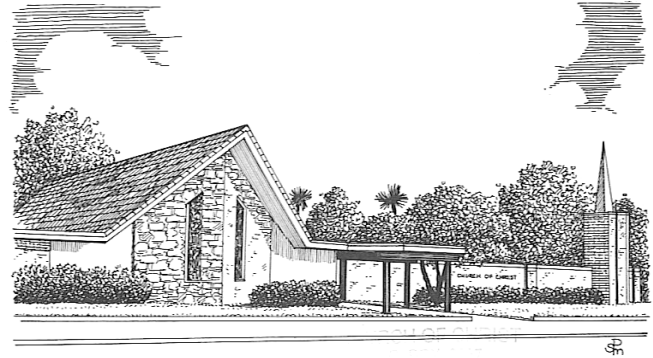


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How to Love Someone When You Think They're Wrong

I'm learning that loving people and being open to understanding their point of view comes with a price. Love isn't baking cookies for friends or writing encouraging notes. Love is uncomfortable, hard and sometimes painful because people are messy. We are called by God to give of ourselves and lean into the messiness so we can be proof of God's work on this earth.

But how?

Ask questions

In moments when I find myself in a conversation with someone and I'm thinking, "What is wrong with this person?" I find it helpful to ask questions like, "How did you come to believe that?"

Questions help us not to judge hastily.

Asking questions can help show a person you care about what they are saying and it will help you understand that person and their experience better.

Be filled with the Spirit

Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he told the disciples he would send a helper – the Holy Spirit – the third person of God. He told them to not try to share the Good News of salvation until the Holy Spirit came. We are not supposed to try to be reconcilers of man and God without the Spirit. So why would we try to love those who can be hard to love without Him?

Remember who you are

We are created uniquely for God's glory.

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit. Ephesians 2:19-22

We are the body of Christ, sons and daughters, brothers and sisters. We are the reconciled and redeemed.

I recently learned that my idea of love was all wrong and it was very humbling. Some of you might be in the same boat. Pursue humility, putting others before yourself, in order to love people with Christ's love. Rely on and be filled with the Holy Spirit, because without Him we do not have the strength and power to succeed at loving others well. Finally, remember who you are and what Christ did for you. He loved you past the point where it was painful. Christ thought you were worthy of love, therefore love others.

adapted from an article by Naomi Arnold at cru.org

We have a commitment, empowered by the Holy Spirit,
To give glory to God
To be unified in reaching others
To be living witnesses for Christ

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
Philippians 4:6,7

Prayer Needs:

Church family:

Please keep Leo Goodenough and family in your prayers as they mourn the death of grandson John Bowline, as well as Jerry Munn and family in your prayers as they mourn the loss of Jerry's cousin Thomas Doyle who passed away of Covid-19 and for Camelia Munn who is recovering from a recent surgery. Continue to pray for the improved health of: Ray & Sue Collins, Phyllis Francis, Leo & Wanda Goodenough, Delores Jensen, Betty Johnson, Brenda Jones, John Leonard, Roy & Lucy McDonald, Jeff & Michelle Mercer, Jerry & Camelia Munn, Dail Paramore, Francis Pati, Jim Scott, Lorenzo Serrano, and Joyce Winings.

Family & Friends:

Pray for Stuart's cousin Joanna who is recovering from injuries she suffered in a recent car accident. Continue to pray for the improved health of Mary Fields, Keith & Lisa Britton, Delores' brother Len, Marjorie Counts, Kathy's husband Kevin Ferrell and cousin Bob, Brianna Schaldweiler, Robert Gray, Derek Fields, Dail's friend Marie, Brenda's son Uriah, Rossie Stansbury, and Wanda's daughter Lynette.

First responders: Please remember to pray for those who are serving their communities during this difficult time. Phyllis Francis' granddaughter, Shyanna Francis (EMT) and extended family member Alisha K. (EMT). Dail Paramore and Stuart Huggins family members: Joanna Carter (Nurse), Luther Carter (Naval Officer), Jody Huggins and Jory Huggins (both are MI Patrol Officers). Jerry Munn's sister, Dr. Janice Massey of N.C. If you have family members or friends you would like to add to this prayer list, please let Kathy know.

Military:

Jeff & Michelle Mercer's son-in-law Brandon Deussenberry, Jodi Keeth's brother-in-law Tony Cairo, Glenn Fields and T. Burgess.

Prayer Warriors Corner

Jesus, pour Your love into me so I may pour it out to others - even to those who can't repay the favor. In Jesus' name, amen.

Our Daily Bread: Sheridan Voysey; February 4, 2020

Read: Matthew 5:34-48

News:

*We have individually wrapped **communion supplies** available. If you would like to pick some up, please contact Kathy and they will be bagged and ready for you when you arrive (Monday - Thursday 9:30 - 12:00).*

Community Food Bank needs our support. They are averaging 200 people per week during this time. They are especially in need of canned meats/protein. Thank you for your generosity, it is very much appreciated.

Scripture readings:

Genesis 14:18-20: Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. He was priest of God Most High, and he blessed Abram, saying, "Blessed be Abram by God Most High, Creator of heaven and earth. And blessed be God Most High, who delivered your enemies into your hand."

Joshua 6:25: But Joshua spared Rahab the prostitute, with her family and all who belonged to her, because she hid the men Joshua had sent as spies to Jericho - and she lives among the Israelites to this day.

Jeremiah 35:18,19: Then Jeremiah said to the family of the Recabites, "This is what the Lord Almighty, the God of Israel says: 'You have obeyed the command of your forefather Jonadab and have followed all his instructions and have done everything he ordered.' Therefore, this is what the Lord Almighty, the God of Israel says: "Jonadab son of Recab will never fail to have a man to serve me.""

Sermon topic:

"How do THEY rate?"



Birthdays:

Jasmine Fuentes:	8/1
Michelle Mercer:	8/2
Marito Fuentes:	8/5
Luis Olea:	8/11
David Winings:	8/21

Anniversaries:

J & M Mercer:	8/30
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I know Love abounds among us but unfortunately we will not have worship at the building during this challenging time.

In the meantime, the expenses of maintaining the building, yard care, property insurance, utilities, etc. continue.

If you can continue your financial support, please mail it to:

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God bless us all during this time and bless our families too.

Sermons on YouTube: For the most recent locally recorded sermon, simply go to the Palm Springs Church of Christ webpage and click on the "sermons" category at the top of the page.

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