

Counter Culture – Part 1

God's Love

In a culture of death, darkness and hate, we are to be people of life, light and love.

Colossians 2:6-10 (NKJV)

- Vs. 8

-philosophy (God's vs. World)

-empty deceit

-traditions of men (Mark 7)

-basic principles of this world

- Vs. 8 (NLT) (TPT)

- TPT "...the anointed truths of the anointed one..."

[God's Word] Final Authority

- Who has it, if not God?

Hebrews 4:12 – God's word rightly divides...

Matthew 24:42 – It never changes...

Hebrews 13:8 – The living Word never changes...

Psalms 119:105 – Gives us direction...

Romans 10:17 – When we remove God's Word from public discourse, we deprive people faith to change.

John 17:17 – God's word is truth...

[Silence is not good for love]

- It's a lack of love for people that produces silence.

- Unhealthy love for self denies people the truth.

- fear of man

- fear of rejection

- fear of false accusation (called bad names)

-When you speak up or step out; you are attacked and told to shut up.

(I.E. persecution becomes prosecution)

Isaiah 59:12-15 (NLT)

-Those who renounce evil are attacked...

Isaiah 5:18-20 (NLT)

Leviticus 19:17-18 (NKJV)

- To love is to speak up and out in regard to sin.

- We can't condone what God condemns and call it love.

-Proverbs 8:13 – Fear of the Lord is to hate evil...

-Romans 12:9-10 – Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor evil. Cling to what is good. Be kindly affectionate toward one another in brotherly love...

- Leviticus 19:17-18 (AMP)

Silence is a form of hate speech.

Nothing I have to say should be controversial for those who love God and people.

- Proverbs 14:34 – Righteousness exalts a nation...

- Psalm 11:3 - ...foundations be removed...

“The hottest places in Hell are reserved for those who in time of moral crisis maintain their neutrality.” -Dante - 13th century Italian poet, prose writer, literary theorist, moral philosopher, and political thinker. (Also quoted by Martin Luther King Jr. and John F. Kennedy)

“The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing.”

-Edmund Burke – 16th century Anglo-Irish statesman and philosopher. (Also quoted by John Stuart Mill and John F. Kennedy)