

Visitor Information

Thanks for joining us today!

~ Drop in the offering basket ~

Name _____

Family Members Attending:

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Would like more information on:

- ◇ Genesis Kids (Birth—5th grade)
- ◇ Youth (6th—High School)
- ◇ Community Groups
- ◇ Gospel Class (Our Core Beliefs)
- ◇ Becoming a Christ Follower
- ◇ Newcomer Lunch (1st Sunday each month)

~ No one will show up at your door

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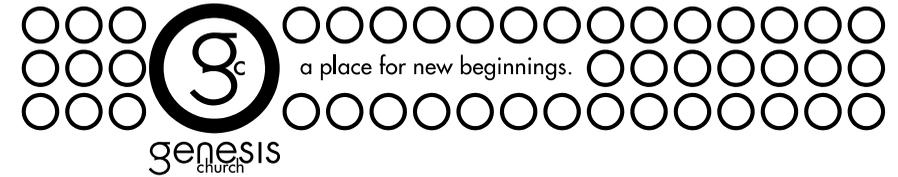
we will never share your contact information with any outside organization ~

NOTES

Series: *Confronting Christianity*

Sermon: *Doesn't Religion Hinder Morality and Cause Violence?*

Matthew 5:2-16 (p. 998)



July 9, 2023

Today we will look at two questions from the book *Confronting Christianity* that address similar issues. Doesn't Christianity hinder morality? And, doesn't Christianity and religion cause violence? Be careful not to answer these questions to hastily.

The truth is that religion is the cause of much suffering, injustice, hate, and evil around the world. Furthermore, religion has pushed agendas and morals that have deeply hurt people. And yes, at some times and places, institutional Christianity is equally guilty. The Gospel, on the other hand, is something different. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus teaches His disciples about the quality and ethic of life that His followers should have. The truth is that the influence and impact of those who have lived as salt and light around the world has been monumentally positive.

Today we will examine some of the entrenched benefits the Gospel has had on our culture and in other places around the world. Furthermore, we hope to show that those who reject religion while calling for human rights and justice are actually borrowing ideas that began with Jesus.

Koinonia—Our Online Community

Stay connected during the week by using our church social networking site: Koinonia.genesiseureka.com. Koinonia is the Greek word for fellowship. Visit the website and follow the directions to register. You will receive a confirmation e-mail upon successful registration.

Contact office@genesiseureka.com with any questions.

We are so glad you chose Genesis to celebrate Jesus this morning and we pray that God will speak to you through the service.

If you are a first time guest, we are especially thankful to have you with us. Please complete the visitor information section and place in the offering basket so we can follow up by email. Our Teaching Elder, Mike Hubbard, would enjoy meeting you after the service.

If you have a question or would like to pray with someone after the service, please come to the area to the right of the stage.

This Week at Genesis Church:

- Men’s Bible Study—Tues., 6:45 a.m. @ Church Office
- Youth Group—Wed., 6:30-8 p.m. @ Church Office
- Friday Morning Prayer Time—6:45 a.m. @ Church Office

TODAY!! - Join us at the Ground Breaking Ceremony at the property address: 18401 Old US 66, Eureka, immediately after the van is loaded.

Rise Up & Build Updates:

- ◆ June giving to RU&B included a \$200,000 gift! Our commitment total is \$1,218,723. Giving from March 2022 through June 2023 is \$451,199.
- ◆ If you would like information on joining the Rise Up & Build Capital Campaign, see Carla Moore or Laura Pacino for printed materials. God has blessed our campaign as we are past year 1 of the 3 year process and ahead of schedule. There is still time for you to pray to see how God would have you participate.

As Summer Gets In Full Swing ...

There is a need for volunteers in all areas at Genesis ... consider this your personal invitation! No matter what you like to do, there is an opportunity waiting for your special skills and gifts. For more information, use the tear-off section to mark the area of your interest or send an email to office@genesiseureka.com to get more information.

Genesis Kids Club Preparation—There are several opportunities where you can help prior to the events:

- ◆ One of the purposes for Kids Clubs is to introduce unchurched families to the love of Jesus—not just another summer activity—so start praying now for those who will be attending (churched or unchurched).
- ◆ Prayer walk neighborhoods, have a conversation with those outside and invite them to attend. Check with your C Group leader or Mike Singleton for more information.
- ◆ Pray for the volunteers to show the love of Christ in every action, no matter how hot or sweaty!

Save These Dates—Register or get information by scanning the QR Code or email office@genesiseureka.com with questions:



July 7—Youth Pool Party, 6:00-10:00 p.m. @ Birenbaum home, 315 Pine Bend, Chesterfield; no registration and no cost.

July 9—Ground Breaking Ceremony immediately after the van is loaded at the future permanent meeting place: 18401 Old US 66, Eureka

Genesis Kids Clubs in July—Help us reach and teach the children of Eureka about Jesus as we take them on exciting adventures in the wild! Two locations: Hunter’s Green Subdivision (7/10-13) and Eureka Community Center (7/31-8/3). **Register kids online to provide required information.**

July 14—Youth Girls Friday Friends, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Meet at church office for a Baking Class. Adult ladies are needed to help drive and hang out. Lunch provided; cost is \$5/person.

Jul. 31—Aug 3—Genesis “All Eureka” Kids Club, 6:00—8:00 p.m. @ Eureka Community Center

Aug. 4—Youth Girls Friday Friends, 10:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Meet at church office to carpool to Pool Party. Adult ladies are needed to help drive and hang out. Lunch provided; cost is \$5/person.

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Name: _____

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Prayer Needs:

Event Sign-Up:
Youth Girls Friday Friends 7/14 _____
Hunter’s Green Kids Club 7/10-13 _____
Comm. Ctr. Kids Club 7/31-8/3 _____
Youth Girls Friday Friends 8/4 _____

Volunteer:
Coffee Team _____
Creative Team _____
First Impressions _____
Food Pantry _____
Genesis Kids _____
Prayer Team _____
Tech Team _____
Van Driver _____
Worship Set-up _____
Worship Team _____

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