

Who
We Are

Our Core Values

#6 - LOVING OUTWARD

LOVING OUTWARD - *Turning the church inside out so that we continually show and share the love of Jesus in our community and beyond.*

Churches that are always _____
will never fulfill their God-given _____.

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations...” (Matt. 28:19-20)

“...and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.” (Acts 1:8)

“...and He has committed the message of reconciliation to us. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ....” (2 Cor. 5:19-20, HCSB)

Churches that are **FOCUSED INWARD** are like ...

1) a _____ that stays in the _____.

“But prove yourselves doers of the word, and not merely hearers who delude themselves.” (James 1:22)

2) stored-up _____ that has lost its _____.

“You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt has become tasteless, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled under foot by men.”

(Matt. 5:13, also see Col. 4:5-6)

3) a _____ whose _____ is _____ up.

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.” (Matt. 5:14-16)

*“The only hope for a world turned upside down is
a _____ turned _____.”
- Wayne Bray*

LOVING OUTWARD means . . .

- remembering we don't _____ for _____.

*“...and He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.”
(2 Cor. 5:15)*

*“And He was saying to them all, “If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow Me.”
(Luke 9:23)*

- paying close attention to the _____ of _____ we're presenting to our _____.

“...that you may be blameless innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world,” (Phil. 2:15, ESV)

“We put no stumbling block in anyone's path, so that our ministry will not be discredited.” (2 Cor. 6:3, NIV)

“By this all men will know that you are My disciples if you have love for one another.” (John 13:35)

- putting our _____ in _____ by using what we have to _____ around us in Jesus' name.

“For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so also faith without works is dead.” (James 2:26)

“Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.” (James 1:27)

“They only asked us to remember the poor—the very thing I also was eager to do.” (Gal. 2:10)

- having a _____ in our community while staying committed to both _____ and _____.

*“Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf; for in its welfare you will have welfare.”
(Jer. 29:7)*

*“And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.”
(John 1:14)*

- breaking down _____ and _____ for the sake of the gospel.

“Therefore the Samaritan woman said to Him, ‘How is it that You, being a Jew, ask me for a drink since I am a Samaritan woman?’ (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.)” (John 4:9)

“...they said to His disciples, ‘Why is He eating and drinking with tax collectors and sinners?’” (Mark 2:17b)

- being intentional about _____ and _____ Jesus in our _____ circles of influence:

- our _____
- etc.

- adopting God's _____ for our community and the _____.

“...even to the remotest part of the earth..” (Acts 1:8)

“For God so loved the world...” (John 3:16)

Rev. 5:9

“And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them? And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent?” (Rom. 10:14-15, NLT)