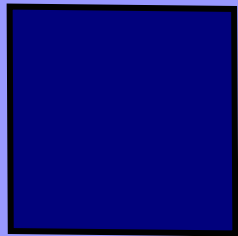
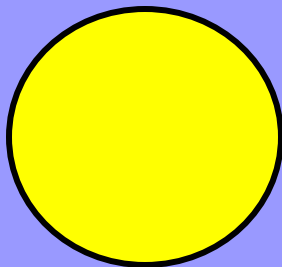


= **Glorifying Christ**



= **lives of credibility**



= **love for the community**

**Glorifying Christ through lives of
credibility and love for the community.**

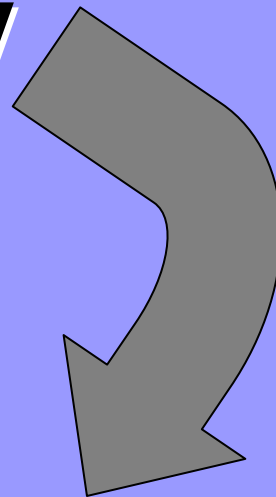


Love for the family

Family

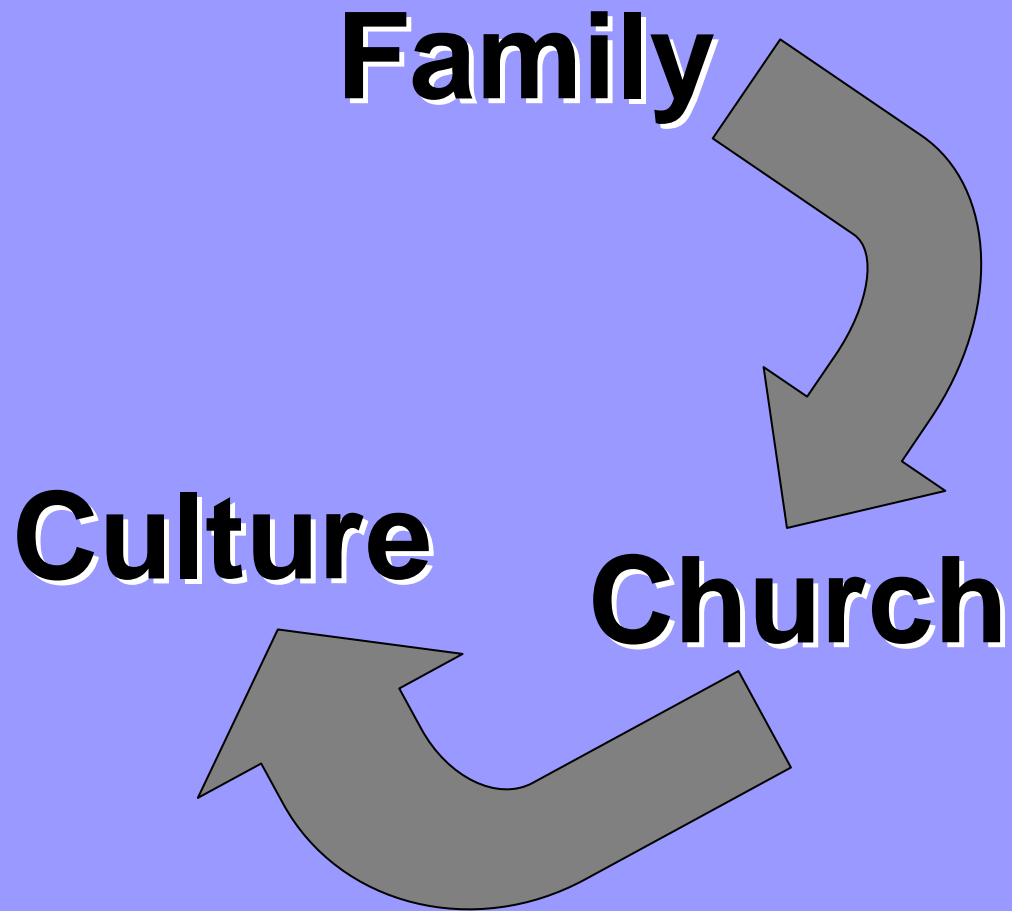
Love for the Church

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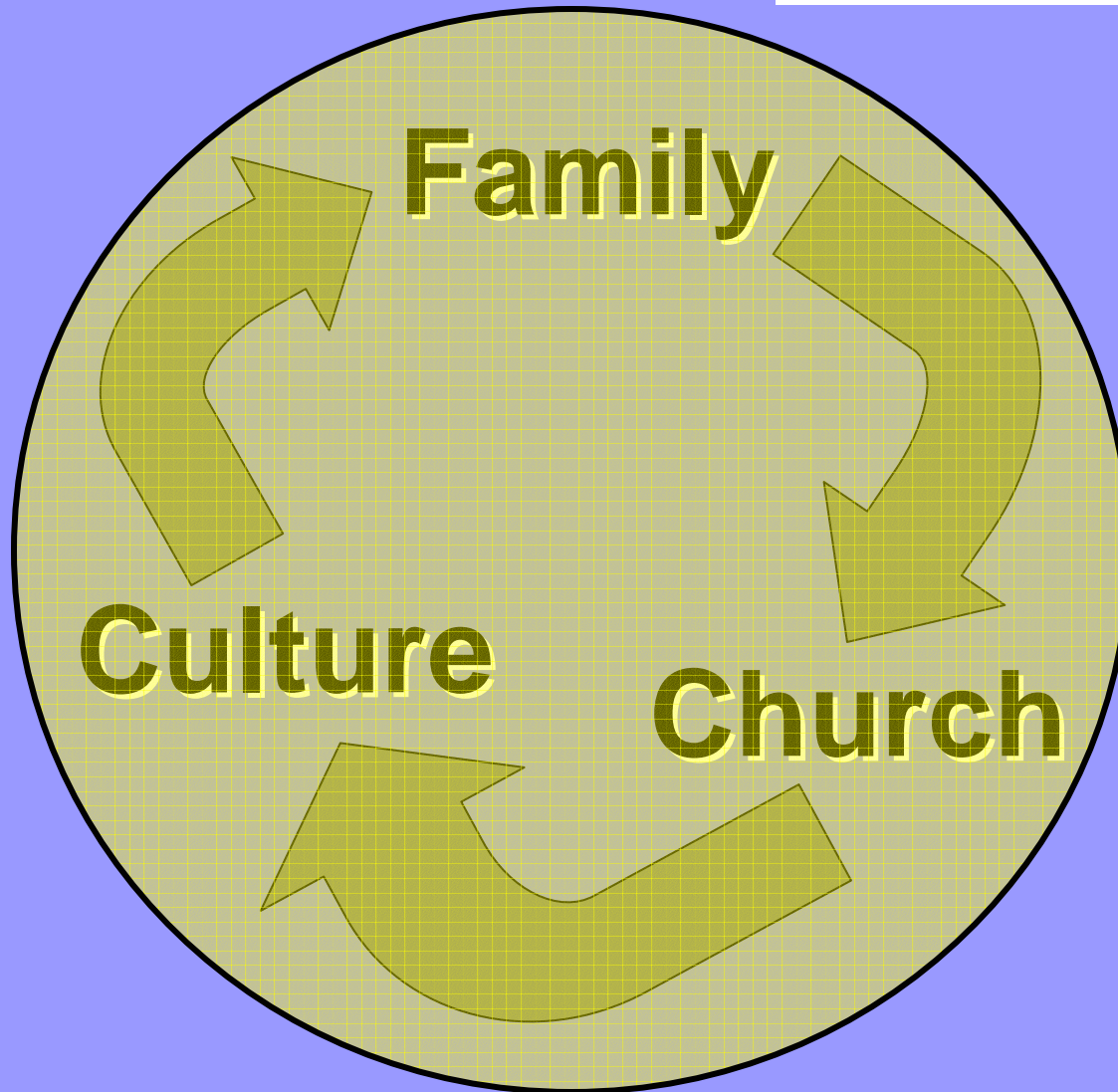


Church

Love for the Culture



Love for the Culture



Our two extremes for culture:

Johah...


“Hated it”

Lot...

“Conformed to it”


But God’s desire for us is to...

“Love it!”



**Jesus, “For God so loved
the world that He gave
His one and only Son,
that whoever believes in
Him shall not perish but
have eternal life.”**

(John 3:16-NIV)



Romans 5:8, “God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” (NIV)

THE “Come and See” APPROACH TO LOVING CULTURE.

John 1:46, “Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?” Nathanael asked. ‘Come and see,’ said Philip.” (NIV)

Positives of this method:

- ***Requires little spiritual growth to begin.***
- ***Occurs in a positive environment.***
- ***Gives the non-believer time to watch and experience.***

Negatives of this method:

- ***It leaves evangelism to the “professionals.”***
- ***It produces little spiritual growth.***
- ***It implies two worlds; spiritual and secular.***



THE “Go and Be” APPROACH TO LOVING CULTURE.

What is the reason for Miracles?

1. To authenticate Jesus was from God.

**Peter said, “Men of Israel, listen to this:
Jesus of Nazareth was a man
accredited by God to you by miracles,
wonders and signs, which God did
among you through Him, as you
yourselves know.” (Acts 2:22-NIV)**

THE “*Go and Be*” APPROACH TO LOVING CULTURE.

What is the reason for Miracles?

- 1. To authenticate Jesus was from God.**
- 2. To show God’s love for people.**

Matthew 14:14, “When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, He had compassion on them and healed their sick.” (NIV)

We are to be like Jesus!

James 1:27, “Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.” (NIV)

- 1. Care for the needs of others**
- 2. Live like Jesus**

Live the truth.

- ***Character*** –

Christ-like

- ***Motives*** –

Love for God & Others

- ***Attitudes*** –

God & Others first

Speak the truth.

- *Sin* –

There is such a thing as right & wrong

- *Hell* –

There is a price for doing wrong

- *Bloody Cross & Empty Tomb* –

PAID!


Be the truth.

- **Love your family!**
- **Love everyone else also!**

Jesus said, “You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled by men.” (Matthew 5:13-NIV)





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- **Alexis & Cayla – bulletins every Sunday.**
 - **Children’s Worship, Patch Club, S. S. & CEF**
 - **Teens who love each other despite their differences**
 - **Teens who see their fellow students as a mission field**
 - **Tommy, Mikel and Earl**
 - **You Job/Career**
 - **E. L. Robinson – Intercity**

Samples within the family:


- **Cleaning**
- **Greeter**
- **Sunday School Teacher for children**
- **Children's Worship**
- **Patch Club**
- **Challengers or Teens...etc.**

Samples outside the family:


- **Real Options**
- **Doula**
- **CEF – Good News Clubs**
- **Assistance Center of Collin County**
- **Nursing Homes**
- **Mentoring Students**
- **Intercity Mentoring**
- **Hispanic Ministry**

Samples outside the family:


- **Job**
- **Coaching**
- **Scouting**
- **Mexico**
- **Cuba**
- **Spain**
- **Prison or Jail**
- **Military**
- **Single parent**
- **Economic help**
- **Divorce**
- **Marriage**
- **Abuse Care**
- **Disaster Relief**
- **...etc.**



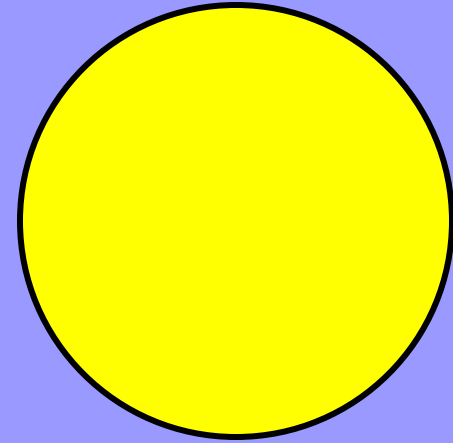
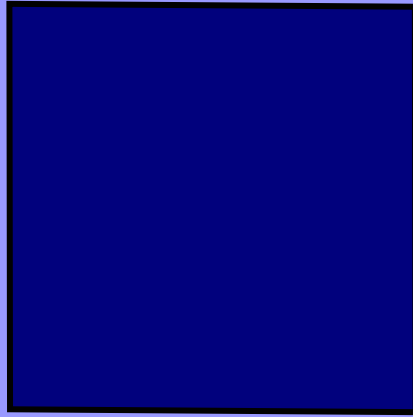
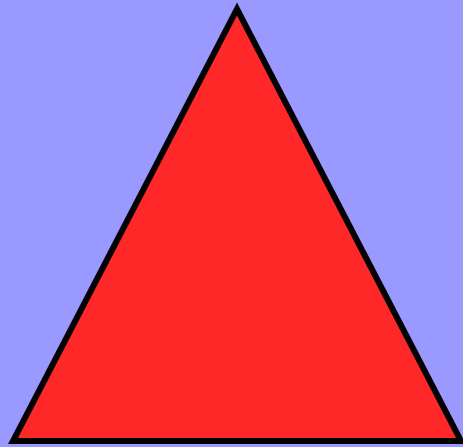
Acts 4:13, “When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.” (NIV)



**Acts 17:6, “These men who
have turned the world
upside down have come
here also...” (ESV)**



**We don't want to be the biggest
church in the area;
we want to church the area!**



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