

Squaw Creek Baptist Church, Marion, IA.
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SERMON OUTLINE 2/7/10

BIBLE PASSAGE: *Matthew 5:1-16, (13-16)*

TITLE: “LIVING EXPRESSIONS OF GOD’S LOVE & TRUTH”

INTRO:

1. The mission statement of this assembly of believers...
2. What is a _____? A people called out of the darkness into the light of Christ.
3. How does a _____ become a _____ of a church?
4. What are churches called to do?
 - a. Evangelism.
 - b. Edification.
 - c. Fellowship.

PROPOSITION: Every believer must acknowledge and obey what God has called us to do. Two week focus/Mission & Purpose statement of this church.

- I. A LIVING EXPRESSION, *Matthew 5:13-16*.
 - A. The Picture Of Salt, *verse 13*.
 1. Salt retards corruption, *cf. Ephesians 5:8-17*.
 2. Salt causes thirst, *cf. Romans 15:8-13*.
 3. Salt _____ flavor, *cf. II Timothy 1:3-9*.
 - B. The Picture Of Light, *verses 14-16*.
 1. True light cannot be hidden, *verse 14*.
 2. True light shines/illuminates, *verse 15*.
 3. God wants believers to shine/be _____!

II. ENJOYING GODLY WORSHIP, *Matthew 22:37-40*.

A. Worship Defined Is Loving God.

1. With all your heart...
2. With all your soul...
3. With all your mind...

B. Worship Demonstrated Pleases God And Impacts Others.

1. Worship is spiritual _____-individual and corporate.
2. Worship implies self-discipline, *cf. Psalm 73*.

III. ENJOYING GODLY FELLOWSHIP, *Acts 2:36-47*.

A. The Church Is A Family.

1. Blood-bought believers/_____ by God,
I Corinthians 6:20.
2. Experiencing the common bond in Christ,
cf. I Peter 2:9-12.

B. Is The Family Functioning Or Faking It?

1. Look at the example from *Acts 2*.
 - a. Their _____, *verses 42 & 46*.
 - b. Their sacrifice, *verses 45-47*.
2. Fellowship is crucial to the growth and _____ of a local church, *cf. Ephesians 4:11-24*.

CONCLUSION:

1. Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?
2. Have you committed to be a living expression of God's love and truth?