

Arlington Church of Christ

*"The churches of Christ greet you."
Romans 16:16*

ELDERS

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Sunday Bible Classes.....9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.*

Sunday Worship.....5:00 p.m.

Wednesday Class.....7:00 p.m.

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

How many 'cities of refuge' were there for a person who killed another accidentally?

Culturally – Relevant ?

A recent study by the Pew Research Center found that in the last seven years, the number of "Christians" in the U.S. had gone down by eight percent. When this information was released, those in the media as well as many of the "Christian leaders" said that the reason was that the church was too 'traditional' and out-of-touch with the modern world. The call was for the church to become 'culturally relevant' if it was to survive in our day. This to some means preachers in jeans and t-shirts, rock bands, and fog machines. To others it means the church must become more 'tolerant' and inclusive, more open-minded to alternate beliefs and lifestyles. To others it means changing the message of the gospel to one of 'social justice' and preservation of the planet – a message of salvation of the earth and society rather than of the soul. If the goal of the church is simply to fill pews, then these ideas have merit. If the goal of the church is to affirm the lifestyles of everyone from all walks of life, then this may do it.

But the goal of the church in Jesus' words is to "seek and save the lost". (Luke 19:10) Jesus' words in John 14:6-7 "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me" is not going to affirm everyone's belief system. A message of exclusivity like that will not set well in today's multicultural atmosphere. Any church who teaches that is thought of as out of touch and hostile to an open-society. We are told that to be relevant, that we must be "more like Jesus".

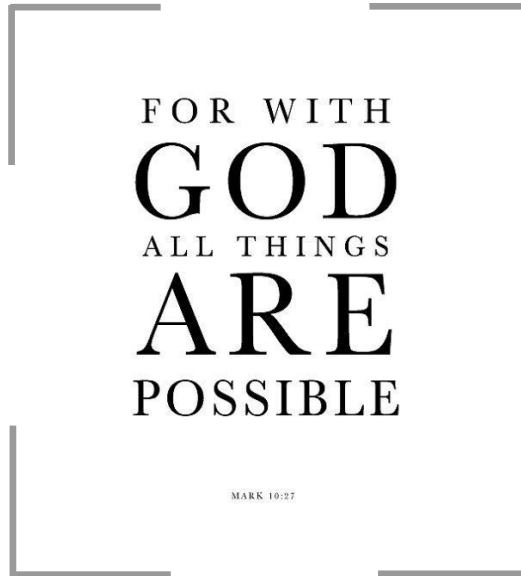
But what about that statement – Jesus had an uncompromising attitude to God's word even when it was unpopular. He pointed out and called evil "evil" and good "good". He had to preach in small villages and on hillsides rather than from crystal pulpits in huge mega-assemblies. Think of how he was treated and his warnings to his disciples - John 15:20-22 "Remember the words I spoke to you: 'No servant is greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you also. If they obeyed my teaching, they will obey yours also. ... If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not be guilty of sin. Now, however, they have no excuse for their sin." People do not want to be told that their actions are wrong – that they are sinners. It was that kind of teaching that caused Jesus to be crucified. Jesus lost a popularity contest to a murderer named Barabbas and was executed even when the governor had declared that he had done 'nothing wrong'. Christianity is confrontational, it is counter-cultural - not culturally relevant. It speaks the truth 'in love', not in compromise. (Eph 4:14-15) If the church fails, it will be because those who claim 'to believe' have rejected the teaching of the very one they claim to be following in favor of following the drumbeat of 'the prince of this world' echoing through societies polls and political correctness.

John 12:48-49

PRAYER LIST

BIRTHDAYS

*See the caring cards list in the lobby



- 6/11 Gayla Jacobs
- 6/12 Felicia Rice
- 6/12 Greg Vicars
- 6/16 Kim Roark
- 6/19 Terry Roberts
- 6/28 Nancy Frith
- 6/29 Nathan Scott Bauer

*"The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much."
James 5:16*

*"For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst."
Matt 18:20*

UPCOMING EVENTS

ANNIVERSARIES

- 6/25 Fellowship Dinner after morning worship— bring sides and desserts
- 7/2 Sack Sunday (bring donations for pantry)

7/26 Joe & Doris McCollum

MEN TO SERVE

6/11

6/18

SCRIPTURE READING

	6/11	6/18	
Sermon AM/PM	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum	
Announcements	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman	June 11
Song Leader AM	Jeff McCollum	Jeff McCollum	June 12
Song Leader PM	John Bauer	John Bauer	June 13
Opening Prayer AM	Joe McCollum	Jeff McCollum	June 14
Opening Prayer PM	Ron Hartman	John Bauer	June 15
Lord's Table	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman	June 16
Assistant #1	Matt Williams	Mike Menard	June 17
Closing Prayer AM	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman	
Closing Prayer PM	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum	
Greeters	John & Terri Bauer	Joe & Doris McCollum	
(Wed.) Devotional	(6/14) John Bauer	(6/21) Jeff McCollum	
(Wed.) Song Leader	(6/14) Mike Menard	(6/21) John Bauer	

AM

PM

June 11	2Chron. 34-36	John 19:1-22
June 12	Ezra 1, 2	John 19:23-42
June 13	Ezra 3-5	John 20
June 14	Ezra 6-8	John 21
June 15	Ezra 9, 10	Acts 1
June 16	Neh. 1-3	Acts 2:1-13
June 17	Neh. 4-6	Acts 2:14-47

"Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

Luke 11:28

PANTRY NEEDS

TRIVIA ANSWER

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| Over the counter medicines/aspirin | Canned meats— fish, chicken & SPAM |
| Laundry detergent | Canned Veggies— greens, potatoes, etc. |
| Face soap & Shampoo | (not corn, green beans, or peas) |
| Toilet Tissue & Paper Towels | Fruit Juice— apple, grape, pineapple, etc. |
| Boxed Potatoes | Peanut butter and Jelly |
| Small- Flour and Sugar | Breakfast Cereal |

A: 6 (Three on each side of the Jordan)