

WE EXIST FOR THOSE NOT HERE YET

VARIOUS SCRIPTURES

"The Church is the one institution that exists for those outside itself." -- William Tyndale

"The Church is the Church only when it exists for others... Not dominating, but helping and serving. It must tell men of every calling what it means to live for Christ, to exist for others."

-- Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Letters And Papers From Prison

LUKE 14:12-24

- **It is not our job to keep _____!**
- **We are called to _____ people to come to know _____!**
- **WE WANT THE _____ TO BE OUR _____!**
- **Think about what we are asking people to believe. The Gospel calls people to "_____!" We should not make coming to Jesus any more _____ than it is by adding man-made rules/traditions.**

ACTS 15:19; 1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-25

The only lasting motivation to 'exist for those not here yet' is LOVE: Love for God and His glory being made known from our neighborhoods to the nations AND love for others to want them to know that Jesus really is better than anything this world has to offer!

MATTHEW 22:34-40

- **We _____ by _____ of _____.**

MATTHEW 28:18-20

- **Existing for _____ should affect _____ we do!**

And equally as important, existing for those not here yet affects everything we DON'T do!

What can we do in 2019-2020 to BETTER 'exist for those not here yet' from our neighborhoods to the nations?

- **_____ ourselves for the sake of those not here yet!**
- **_____ & _____ to _____ a Church whenever God opens a door for this to happen.**
- **Give _____ to faithfully reach those not here yet!**

2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-8

→ IF we are going to believe in something _____, we must participate in it _____!

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- **It is not our job to keep Church people happy!**
- **We are called to compel people to come to know Jesus!**
- **WE WANT THE GOSPEL TO BE OUR OFFENSE!**
- **Think about what we are asking people to believe. The Gospel calls people to “Come and die!” We should not make coming to Jesus any more difficult than it is by adding man-made rules/traditions.**

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- **We glorify God by making disciples of all nations.**

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What can we do in 2019-2020 to BETTER ‘exist for those not here yet’ from our neighborhoods to the nations?

- **Inconvenience ourselves for the sake of those not here yet!**
- **Pray & prepare to plant/replant a Church whenever God opens a door for this to happen.**
- **Give sacrificially to faithfully reach those not here yet!**

2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-8

→ **IF we are going to believe in something corporately, we must participate in it personally!**