
How To Be Christians Not Critical

HATEFUL CHRISTIANS



WHAT THEY CALL US

- › Homophobic
 - › Transphobic
 - › Judgmental
 - › Insensitive
 - › Hateful
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SOME HISTORY

- › Pre-Sexual Revolution (Pre 70s)
 - › The Trans Community Was Almost Absent
 - › The LGB Community Was Closeted
 - › Divorce Was Shunned
 - › Women Were Silenced
 - › People feared the criticism, judgement, and rejection that came with talking about being in any way involved
 - › This Resulted In People Whose Needs Were Not Met And Who Had A Negative View Of The Church
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PHARISEES AND 50S

- › John 8:2-11 The Pharisees and The Adulteress
 - › Luke 18:9-14 The Pharisee and The Tax Collector
 - › Matthew 9:10-13 Jesus Eats With Sinners
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ALL ARE SINNERS

- › Romans 3:10, 22-23
“10 As it is written: “There is none righteous, no, not one;... 22 For there is no difference; 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God”
 - › 1 John 1:8-10
“8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.”
 - › Examples: Patriarchs, Kings, Apostles, Et Cetera
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ALL SIN IS DEATH

- › Hebrews 10:26-27 Certain Fearful Expectation of Judgement
- › 1 Corinthians 6:9-10; Galatians 5:19ff

“9 Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, 10 nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God. 11 And such were some of you.”
- › Two Examples: Paul/Saul and Rahab

PAUL - AN EXAMPLE

- › **Acts 8:1-3**
“3 As for Saul, he made havoc of the church, entering every house, and dragging off men and women, committing *them* to prison.”
 - › **1 Timothy 1:12-15**
“13 although I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man; but I obtained mercy because I did *it* ignorantly in unbelief... 15 This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. ”
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RAHAB - AN EXAMPLE

- › Joshua 2-6
- › Hebrews 11:31, 39
“By faith the harlot Rahab did not perish with those who did not believe, when she had received the spies with peace... 39 And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith”

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- › **Romans 6:23**
“**23 For the wages of [a single] sin *is* death, but the gift of God *is* eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.**”
 - › **Proverbs 6:16-17**
“**16 These six *things* the Lord hates... 17 A proud look, A lying tongue... Hands that shed innocent blood 18 A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that are swift in running to evil, 19 A false witness... one who sows discord**”
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- › **Eph 4:31**
“Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice.”
 - › **Ecclesiastes 7:9**
“9 Do not hasten in your spirit to be angry, For anger rests in the bosom of fools.”
 - › **Proverbs 11:13, 16:28; 1 Timothy 5:13**
“11:13 A talebearer reveals secrets, But he who is of a faithful spirit conceals a matter;”
 - › **James 3:5-6; Proverbs 15:4**
“5 Even so the tongue is a little member and boasts great things. See how great a forest a little fire kindles... and it is set on fire by hell”
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- › **1 Timothy 5:21**
“21 I charge *you* before God... observe these things without prejudice, doing nothing with partiality.”
 - › **Galatians 3:28**
“28 There is neither Jew nor Greek... you are all one in Christ Jesus.”
 - › **James 2:1-13 Man in Rags v Man in Fine Clothes**
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› **Romans 11:11ff**

“18 do not boast against the branches. But if you do boast, *remember that you do not support the root, but the root supports you.* 19 You will say then, “Branches were broken off that I might be grafted in.” 20 Well *said*. Because of unbelief they were broken off, and you stand by faith. Do not be haughty, but fear. 21 For if God did not spare the natural branches, He may not spare you either. 22 Therefore consider the goodness and severity of God: on those who fell, severity; but toward you, goodness”

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- › Matthew 7:1-5

““Judge not, that you be not judged. 2 For with what judgment you judge, you will be judged; and with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you. 3 And why do you look at the speck in your brother’s eye, but do not consider the plank in your own eye? 4 Or how can you say to your brother, ‘Let me remove the speck from your eye’; and look, a plank *is* in your own eye? 5 Hypocrite! First remove the plank from your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.”

ATTITUDE

- › **Philippians 2:3**
“*3 Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself.*”
 - › **1 Peter 5:5-6**
“...Yes, all of *you* be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for “God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble.” 6 Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time”
 - › **Ephesians 4:1-2**
“...walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, 2 with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love”
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ATTITUDE

- › **Matthew 5:43-45**

“43 “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ 44 But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, 45 that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust.”
 - › **Romans 12:9-10**

“9 Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. 10 Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another;”
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GOD'S ATTITUDE

- › **Ezekiel 18:32, 33:11**
“For I have no pleasure in the death of one who dies,” says the Lord God. “Therefore turn and live!””
- › **Romans 5:6-8**
“6 For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us”.
- › **Jude 1:22-23**
“22 And on some have compassion, making a distinction; 23 but others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire, hating even the garment defiled by the flesh.

GOD'S ATTITUDE

- › James 5:20
“20 let him know that he who turns *a sinner* from the error of his way will *save a soul* from *death* and cover *a multitude of sins.*”
 - › Mark 16:15-16
“15 And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. 16 He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.”
 - › 2 Timothy 2:16 “All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness”
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BROTHER'S KEEPER

› **Genesis 4:9-11**

“Then the Lord said to Cain, “Where *is* Abel your brother?” He said, “I do not know. Am I my brother’s keeper?” 10 And He said, “What have you done? The voice of your brother’s blood cries out to Me from the ground. 11 So now you *are* cursed from the earth, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand.

› **Matthew 18:6-7**

“6 Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were drowned in the depth of the sea. 7 Woe to the world because of offenses! For offenses must come, but woe to that man by whom the offense comes!”

BROTHER'S KEEPER

- › **1 Corinthians 8:13**
“Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never again eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.”

 - › **Romans 14 - Food**
“20 Do not destroy the work of God for the sake of food.”
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INVITATION

- › Luke 12:47-48

“47 And that servant who knew his master’s will, and did not prepare himself or do according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes. 48 But he who did not know, yet committed things deserving of stripes, shall be beaten with few. For everyone to whom much is given, from him much will be required; and to whom much has been committed, of him they will ask the more.”
 - › Matthew 11:28

“Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”
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