ELOY CHURCH of CHRIST
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Striving to be a Faithful New Testament Church
Endeavoring to Follow the Pattern of Christ's
Church Written in the New Testament

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Visitors welcome: Thank you for visiting with us today. If you have any questions about the bible or our service, please feel free to ask questions after service

Continued prayer requests: Sister Ceil Ellis, Sister Sue; Sister Vernelle; Sister Fannie Kelley; Sister Diane Wortman, Brother Smith, Sister PeeWee, Sister Emily, Brother Vince, Brother Sullivan, Brother Hook, Sister Felecia Foughty; Sister Mary

Prayer requests from Last Lord's Day: Sister Geronica for sin and her health; Brother Elmo for his health and his wife's health, and also for his friend's health. He also expressed thankfulness for his granddaughter attending service; Sister Roby for sin and being late. She stated didn't talk to someone when the opportunity present itself; Brother Moses for the mission in Nigeria that the church established there beginning next week, also that he is thankful for sickle cell awareness and that the events went well; Sister Carmen for sin, and her granddaughter's job opportunity, and that a new doctor can help her with her issues also for her family; Sister Elizabeth for sin, exposure to family who use offensive language and to attending more bible studies; Brother Devin sin, and to be more effective in sharing gospel, for patience, his household, and his sister in law; Brother Armstrong for his heart condition and his actions and words, and to be a better Christian and example; Sister Shayron for her family and for sin and thankful that she answered bible questions within her work environment, to study more to be able to answer questions; Sister Peewee health and for a death in the family; Sister Ceil for her health, and for Chemo and for husband's heath; Brother Darren for Gladys and his wife who are traveling and to be a be better husband, Christian, example and leader; Brother Stuart for Pinky and Hilda , Ashyra, Sam and Nicky

Announcements:

- Happy Birthday to those born in November!!
- Today is Total Day/Bring a Friend Day. There will be a meal served after morning worship. Evening service will begin at 2:15. Team #2 will be responsible for prep/service/clean up.
- There will be an Ignited YOUth meeting on November 7 at 4 pm
- There is a combined Men's Training Class/Ladies Bible class on November 8 at 2:30 pm
- The next Fundamental Friday class is November 13 at 7:30. This is a potluck
- The next area wide singing will be on November 29 at 2:30 in Eloy. Evening worship will begin at 4:15
- There will be a congregational meeting on November 29 after morning worship
- Members, please send the email addresses of delinquent members to Brother Williams so an effort can be made to bring these souls back to the Body before it is everlasting too late. Brother Williams email is eddietrustgod@yahoo.com
- Copies of the sermon slides, notes and videos are available on the church website: eloychurchofchrist.org.

John 13:34-35 A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another*

Memory verse leader this week: Darryl McDaniel - Acts 17:11 (NASB)

[11] Now these were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so.

Memory verse leader next week: Darren Kyle: Ephesians 5:11 (NASB)

[11] Do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but instead even expose them;

MINISTER'S NOTES

Being Different from the World

These days, it is difficult to see the difference between Christians and non-Christians. If you listen to the way some talk, it is no different than those in the world If you look at how they dress, it is the same as those in the world. If you see what kinds of jokes entertain them, it is no different than what entertains the world. Many Christians today have lost their distinctiveness. But that is not how Christians are to live. Christians are to be distinctive and different from the world. In 2 Corinthians 6:14-16, Paul lists several things that are not the same, and for each pair he asks the Corinthians how can fellowship exist between the two. The answer is, of course, it cannot. Then he tells the Corinthians in verse 17, "Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you...". Since we are no longer of the world, we are to be separate from it; we are to be different from the world. In 1 Peter 2:9, we're described as being a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, and a peculiar people. Each of these terms shows how different we are.

Each point to the fact that we're not like the rest of the world. We once were part of the world, but we're not any longer. We've come out of the world and now we're separate. And that is how we must remain.
Sadly, some Christians do not want to be different. They don't like sticking out or doing things that bring attention to them. They want to hide and be a Christian in secret and act like their friends out in the world. They believe that they can do everything they used to do and still be a Christian. They think they don't have to come out and be separate. In Matthew 5:14-16, Jesus compares us to light. We are to stand out in this world and be noticed. We're not doing it for our glory, but to show people the way to God. This world is a very dark place. If we hide our lights, how can we direct them to the truth? Too many Christians are hiding their lights under bushels instead of raising them high for the world to see. If we care about people, we will be different in order to lead them to God.

As Christians, we must learn to become different from the world. We must think of it as a good thing, something that is important and necessary. We, being different, are lights to the dark world. If we become dark like the world, how can anyone come to the truth? If the world cannot see our light, they will remain lost. Let's shine our lights brightly for God!