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PASTOR'S CORNER:

Sharing With Family

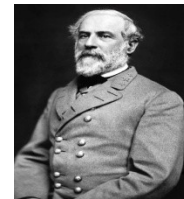
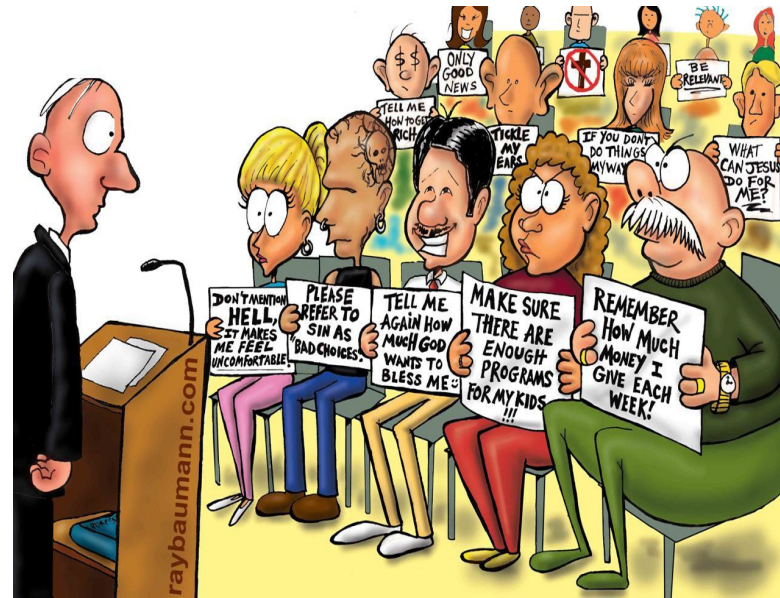
"If we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses from all sin." **1st John 1:7**

What does Christian fellowship look like, how do we define Christian fellowship? The word; *koinonia* (fellowship) is it different today, than it is was two thousand years ago? If so, are we correct when we gather together for fellowship after morning service? When we read in the book of Acts it says they fellowshiped in the breaking of bread daily; is that what Christian fellowship is suppose to look like today?

God's Word uses the word family, as a means to identify we are brothers and sisters. But if we define family as simply a group of individuals who feel good about one another, some might say, we are not a family, I don't feel good about anyone at this church.

If we define family as two individuals that are committed to one another, such as two men that have strong feelings toward one another, are they a family? When we have children because they do not like the rules of the parents decide to divorce the parents, would they still be a family? The issue is we try to define family based on our feelings, but feelings is like night and day; today I like you but tomorrow I don't.

Family must be looked at in the same manner as love, I love you because I have made a decision to love you. In the same way which God loves us, not because He feels like it but because He decided to love us. If our love for our brother or sister is based on feeling there is no security in feelings, but when it is a decision that is never ending.



A Thoughts on General Robert E. Lee

"In all my perplexities and distresses, the Bible has never failed to give me light and strength"

Weekly Humor

Off-beat comedian Steven Wright offers his typically skewed perspective on a few of our animal friends:

I spilled Spot remover on my dog. . . . Now he's gone.

There's a fine line between fishing and standing on the shore looking like an idiot.

The other day when I was walking through the woods, I saw a rabbit standing in front of a candle making shadows of people on a tree.

Yesterday I saw a chicken crossing the road. I asked it why. It told me it was none of my business.

**"Freedom Always Comes With A Price
 are you willing to pay the Price?"**

- Unknown, *Our Daily Bread*