

“Why God?”

(part #6)

Why God Is There So Much Hatred?

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Galatians 3:25-28

²⁸There is neither Jew nor Greek,

“The large house in which we live demands that we transform this world-wide neighborhood into a world-wide brotherhood.

Together we must learn to live as brothers or together we will perish as fools.”—**Martin Luther King, Jr.**

Luke 10:25-37 The Story Of The Good Samaritan...

²⁵On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus.

***People Care More About Being Right Than People!**

“Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

²⁹**But he wanted to justify himself...**

***Our Justifications Expose There Is Still Much Of Our Heart That Has Not Been Drug Into The Light Of Love!**

³⁰In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers...”

³¹A priest, a Levite...a Samaritan...

³⁶“Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?”

³⁷The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.”

***Letting Go Of Your Hate Is The Starting Point Of Dealing With Your Own Pain And Brokenness.**

Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

GO and DO!

We, the Church, have a great opportunity to be the people of love in a culture of hate...

“But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,²⁸ bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.”—**Luke 6:27-28**

-Shift “They are The Problem!” To “Am I Part Of The Problem?”

-Stop Hating What We Fear.

-Let go of the hate you were taught.

-Seek to know and understand the outsider or “the other”.

-Make friends with an unlikely person.

-Read a book by somebody you disagree with.

-Learn to disagree with love!

-Commit to being a healer in your community, nation & world.

-Quick to listen and slow to post.

-Have the humility to admit that you have room to grow.

-Fill your mind with more of the good news than the news.

Additional Scriptures: James 1:19-20; 1 John 2:9-12;

1 John 4:19-20; Proverbs 10:12; Psalm 36:2; Ephesians 4:25-32

JOIN US TODAY

Sunday, February 11th, 2018

Opening
AWAKE MY SOUL

Welcome
RECKLESS LOVE
IT IS WELL

Prayer

Offering
AS IT IS (IN HEAVEN)

Message

WHY IS THERE SO MUCH HATRED?
Pastor Dean Ward



PART 6 OF OUR CURRENT SERMON SERIES

Why God?

A Series For Those Willing to Be Honest

GIVING BACK TO GOD

Giving back to God, cheerfully and sacrificially, is part of our worship. It's our way of putting God first in our finances and supporting the mission of The River throughout the year. The combined totals for both The River New Kensington and The River New Heights are listed.

	\$7,150.00 Needed Weekly	Attendance
January 14th	\$4,443.08	219
January 21st	\$9,831.41	302
January 28th	\$5,231.10	351
February 4th	\$6,752.25	256

UPCOMING EVENTS

This Week		Next Week	
Sunday February 11	Services 9:30am & 11:15am	Sunday February 18	Services 9:30am & 11:15am
Wednesday February 14	Sonward Tutoring & Homework Help 5-6pm The River's Edge Youth Group 6-8pm Wednesday Night Live 6:30-8pm Sonward Action Bible Study 6:30-8pm	Wednesday February 21	Sonward Tutoring & Homework Help 5-6pm The River's Edge Youth Group 6-8pm Wednesday Night Live 6:30-8pm Sonward Action Bible Study 6:30-8pm
Like! us on Facebook		Thursday February 22	MOPs 9:30-11:30am

MARCH 4

RIVER'S EDGE YOUTH DINNER & AUCTION
@ THE RIVER NEW KENSINGTON



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WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

Family ♦ Fellowship ♦ Faith

SMALL GROUPS FOR GROWING IN FAITH
6:30-8pm

BRING THE KIDS! Nursery & Preschool programs are available

OUR CURRENT STUDIES

FOLLOW BY ANDY STANLEY - Led by Dean Ward
FOLLOW BY ANDY STANLEY - Beginning Wed. February 14
- Led by Terri Schrecongost & Traci Heuston

Sonward ACTION BIBLE STUDY
Changing a community. GEARED FOR PREK THRU 6TH GRADE

WEDNESDAYS 6:30-8PM



TUTORING AND HOMEWORK HELP AVAILABLE FROM 5-6PM

RIVER'S EDGE YOUTH GROUP

Open to youth grades 7-12
Youth Pastor Brian Becker 724-594-7394
Every 2nd and 4th Sunday, the youth are encouraged to attend the 11:15 service. After the offering song, the youth will go into the Youth Room for their lesson.

Wednesdays 6-8pm