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Who is Life Song Church? Part 6

A passion creates direction and purpose. It compels us to act. It inspires us knowing we have a common goal.

1. Commitments for Christ 2. Creating a God-honoring culture 3. Living the Power of Life Changing Music 4. Reaching the Young and the Young at Heart

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The "Mosaic" generation is 18-23 years of age. Only 1/2 of 1% have a biblical world view. 21% of college students consider themselves atheist along with 35% of their professors. 52% of millennials believe socialism, communism and fascism are good forms of government. Throughout the twentieth century, communism has killed over 100 million people which is far greater than all of the wars combined. 70% of 17-year-olds leave the church. Suicide is the 2nd leading cause of death in Youth. According to child protective services; a sexual assault on a teen will happen every 8 minutes and 2 out of 3 cases are not reported, so it could be as many as 500 everyday in America. 70% of all juveniles in institutions come from fatherless homes. 10 million STD in teens are reported every year.

LSC was created to reach the younger generation with messages that are relevant to our culture and that deal with real-life issues. We keep the services moving, have a coffee-house style atmosphere, dress casually and offer great snacks. Our band-praise team is high-energy, but also filled with the glory and power of the Holy Spirit. We are not ashamed of open-expressive worship. Youth are encouraged to serve on a team and several Young Adults are in key Leadership positions. Our Children's ministry is a great group of people. They make sure our children know who Jesus is, how to pray, how to worship and how to recite Scripture. Our Jr. Youth and Youth teams are equally talented and teach the youth how to have a personal relationship with Jesus and deal with the challenges of today's young people. For many years the average age at Life Song has been under 38, but many older adults love the ambiance, and are excited about calling Life Song Church their home. Once we are filled with the Holy Spirit, all of us are "Young at Heart." This makes it all the more important for children to experience the structure and love of a church family. This is a safe place that teaches children who they are in Christ, as they learn how to act with respect for one another.

We highly recommend parents are involved with their children's education. Ask to see all of the curriculum especially anything that might have any sexual content. CSE (Comprehensive Sex Education) comes in different packages but is very damaging to our children. This and similar material 1) Sexualize our children 2) Threatens their health 3) Promotes a dangerous identity ideology 4) Undermines the parent-child relationship by violating parental rights.

Book "It is Perfectly Normal" for 4th graders is imprinting sexual images on our kids minds causing them to want to act out what they are seeing. Pamphlet "Healthy Happy and Hot" is also dangerous. Another term that is indicating sexual overreach is "Its All ONE Curriculum." IPPF (International Planned Parenthood Federation) is one of the main promoters and developer of CSE.

Laws in Oregon (as of 2016) allow a 15 year-old to get a state-subsidized sex change operation without parent consent, but you can't give the child an aspirin without parental consent. Sex change therapy drugs cause high blood pressure, stroke, heart attack, cancer, anxieties, depression and suicide all leading to relationship problems. Good video at stopcse.org. We highly recommend parents to be on school boards, or homeschool your children, or enroll your children in schools like Deford Academy.

Salvation

Acts 4:12 *Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."*

Rom 10:9-12 *that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. 11 For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame."*

Phil 2:12-13 *Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; 13 for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure.*

Heb 9:27-28 *And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, 28 so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation.*

Salvation: #4992 *soterion* (so-tay-ree-on) Rescue, deliverance, safety, liberation, release, preservation. Christ's salvation is for our complete being spirit, soul and body.

Once saved always saved as to apostasy

We embrace two different perspective or "doctrinal views" of salvation. "Once saved always saved" meaning you can never loose or even walk away from your salvation. "Apostasy" believes no one can take your salvation, but just like you chose to be saved, we can choose to put our salvation down and walk away. Both of these doctrinal views have merit, and we have chosen to not let this divide us. "Got grace? We're good!"

Rom 8:37-39 *Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. 38 For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, 39 nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Rom 6:22-23 *But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. 23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Apostasy: Greek, Strong's #646 *apostasia* (ap-os-tas-ee'-ah); defection from truth, forsake, falling away, a withdraw, to express abandonment of the faith.

* **Apostasy** is generally defined as the determined, willful rejection of Christ and His teachings by a Christian believer.

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Strong's Concordance Apostasy is caused by:

Satan Lk 22:31 / False teachers Acts 20:29,30 / Perversion of Scripture 2 Tim 4:3,4 / Persecution Mtt 13:21 / Unbelief Heb 4:9-11 / Love of world 2 Tim 4:10 / Hardened heart Acts 7:54, 57 / Spiritual blindness Acts 28:25-27

Just like **repentance** is the word used for a person coming out of the ways of the world and into Christianity, **apostasy** is the word used for a person coming out of Christianity and back into the ways of the world. When we willfully reject Jesus Christ and His teachings, we lay our salvation down and war against grace.

2 Thess 2:3 *Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the **falling away** (apostasia) comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of **perdition**, (destruction).*

1 Tim 4:1-2 "The Great Apostasy"

*Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will **depart from the faith**, giving heed to **deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons**, 2 speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron,*

Got grace? We're good! Let not a difference of opinion divide us