

NO ROOM FOR CHRIST

Luke 2:1-7

INTRODUCTION:

- A. One of the sadest statements in the Bible
- B. He who came to make room for others, found no room for himself.
- C. Even today people have no room for Christ in their lives; He is forced to stay outside Rev 3:20
- D. Look around us in our society today and we can see a world that has no room for Jesus Christ.
- E. To make room for Him is to accept His authority.

DISCUSSION:

I. NO ROOM FOR CHRIST IN OUR HOMES

- A. Some wouldn't receive Him on earth; desired Him to depart Matt 8:34; did not receive disciples Matt 10:14,40
- B. People today have no room in their homes
 1. Will not train their children Eph 6:4
 2. Won't study themselves nor with children 2Tim 1:5
 3. There are many houses but few homes
- C. All we have to do is look around us and see a society that has no room for Christ in their homes

II. NO ROOM FOR CHRIST IN THE BUSINESS WORLD

- A. Very few follow the golden rule Matt 7:12 - lie, steal, cheat, and deceive to get ahead in the business world
- B. World's philosophy: do it to him before he does it to me.
- C. Remember Demetrius the silversmith Acts 19:24-26

III. NO ROOM FOR CHRIST IN GOVERNMENT

- A. Herod ordered all male children killed Matt 2:16-18
 1. Thought Christ was going to take over government
 2. Only interested in their own political well being
- B. People wanted Jesus crucified, but government gave authority to have it done Matt 27:26
- C. Government today gives lip service, but still no room:
 1. It allows & upholds many ungodly practices through legalization of almost everything immoral. Example: Abortion: each day in U.S alone, aprox 3,000 babies are put to death – 2 per minute 24 hrs a day 365 days a year. (down some since high in 1996 because not as many unwanted pregnancies). Yet, one can spend a year in the Federal Penitentiary for stealing an egg from an Eagle's nest or killing an Eagle. Not to mention all the homosexuality that exists
 2. Prayer and Bible reading has been "effectively" banned although legislation does not forbid individual prayer, just planning of prayer by school officials. However, to avoid confrontation officials in some schools refuse to allow anything that even remotely resembles religion.

3. Yet in what we think of as Godless Russia the Bible can be openly taught in the schools.
4. Government exists by divine authority Rom 13:1-7 therefore divine authority regulates it or should.

IV. NO ROOM IN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING

- A. Even in our grammar and high schools
 1. Deny God as creator, teach evolution - not creation
 2. Can't teach marriage and monogamy without teaching homosexuality as an alternate lifestyle
 3. Many have problems with illegal drugs and even what they classify as immorality
- B. Our colleges and universities have become seats of immorality and hotbeds of infidelity. They are making atheist and infidels out of our young people
- C. Humanism infiltrates all levels of education: note goals: Change personality patters; Make teachers into social engineers; Make teachers proselytizers to a new faith - humanism; Reconstruct student' value system (values clarification); Indoctrinate students with humanist value system; Make America into a secular society; Ensure the death of God; Eliminate the opposition

V. NO ROOM FOR CHRIST AMONG OWN PEOPLE (CHURCH)

- A. Came to His own and His own received Him not Jhn 1:11
 1. God has chosen that we all be His people 1Tim 2:4
 2. Yet men still reject Him
- B. Even one of His own disciples Matt 26:14-16, 47-49
 1. Some members of the body have no room for Christ such as Demas 2Tim 4:10
 2. All the room in our hearts are taken up with other things Fame, money, position, recreation, fun and games, etc
- C. To have room for Christ we must love Him with all our heart, soul and mind Matt 22:37

CONCLUSION:

- A. What a sad condition when there is no room for the one who came to make room for others Jhn 14:1-4
- B. Christ will come into our lives if we let Him but not against our will Rev 3:20
- C. Make room for Christ in our lives and He will make room for us with Him in heaven Matt 10:32,33