

**General Topics :: Sarcasm the lowest form of humour!?****Sarcasm the lowest form of humour!? - posted by sonofthunder (), on: 2013/2/21 22:21**

Its been said that sarcasm is the lowest form or (kind) of humour there is

But i fail to see ...any benefits in the quick jab, the witty blurb, the sharp words. (Well not if the outcome of the humour is at someone else's expense)

The perpetrators of initiated sarcasm ... strangely think they were clever.

They made a joke, they got others to laugh or chuckle, and wry smiles:

And in doing so ...they have gotten others to participate in (there lowest form of humour) known as Sarcasm.

The problem with sarcasm is - it is barbed - it is loaded - it is USUALLY offensive ...and the recipient of sarcasm is usually belittled; put down in some way, ridiculed and/or mocked. In essence Made sport of:

Samson was made sport of when captured by the ungodly philistines:

The perpetrators and initiators of sarcasm i have found often encourage "OTHERS" to join in there "chorus" of blatant mockery. (Intended for some person they intend to ridicule)

This dishonours and disrespects other people (and often fires darts without any ensuing apology or acknowledgement of poorly used humour)

Worse still mockers often encourage various forms of internet bullying intended to zero in on and/or target - - a specific individual.

(If this is you and youve encouraged any forms of internet bullying) seriously (honestly) you need to Repent! It really is that serious. And if youve enjoyed seeing other people bullied on-line (your heart is not right in the sight of God) Teenagers and even adults have been known to suffer severe depression from such targeted taunts. Its really NOT funny (No not at all)

Personally i see no benefits in SARCASM (none)

To me its a bit on the nose: (meaning it stinketh)

Years ago i use to work in a funeral parlour and had to endure peoples sarcasm about the dead and the dying jokes(spoken in poor taste) And then changed jobs (not because of the barbs) but for other reasons - but now in my current job i hear the similiar sarcasm over and over upon people seeing what i do for a living (which is totally ethical and honest) but The thing is it might actually be funny ...only that when people say these comments...ive heard it said a thousand times before.

I am toughed skinned and have since learned to ignore the comment.

But it highlights just how this(lowest form of humour) has little (if not NO benefits at all) dont quit your day job ...or* take to* stand up comedy routines. (If your one who is " given to" sarcasm and mockery)

And if sarcasm is your Go - - Then sooner or later (probably sooner, than later) eventually it will be to your own undoing and downfall. Just as pranks and hoaxes played on people ...ultimately brings shame and disgrace.

People have been brainwashed into thinking sarcasm is funny/ witty.

Thats the worlds influence on YOU. My advice let all course & foolish jesting which is inappropriate be put far away from you.

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Its one one of those Ephesians and collossians "put offs" in christ.

Surely...

Well i would think so

(In my opinion sarcasm seldom, if any, has any redeeming qualities whatsoever) full stop/period.

Re: Sarcasm the lowest form of humour!? - posted by sonofthunder (), on: 2013/2/22 4:17

One of the reasons i like it here at SI is the moderators soon step in if things deteriorate between brethren anf go from b ad to worse.

Brother and against brother and sister opposed to brother. Ecet.

And its good every so often to refresh yourself with the rules of posting.

And evrerybody is entitled to being protected if they become the target of ridicule and sarcasm (which is also unjustified) and not comely.

Re: - posted by TMK (), on: 2013/2/22 7:35

My grandma used to say that "sarcasm is the weapon of the weak."

I disagree that all sarcasm is always bad--it all depends on context; obviously it is bad if intended to disparage or ridicule someone.

Overall I would agree that it is something to be avoided, especially in a theology discussion forum.

Re: - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2013/2/22 7:59

QUOTE:

"I disagree that all sarcasm is always bad--it all depends on context; obviously it is bad if intended to disparage or ridicul e someone."

As I studied Isaiah I became aware how God used sarcasm in his denouncements of evil ... A person has to immerse hi mself into the context in order to see it - it will escape the casual reader.

But I do understand how much of sarcasm is ugly. If we love others as taught in 1Corinthians 13 we would not deliberate ly work to belittle others, hurt them.

Re: - posted by dohzman (), on: 2013/2/22 8:59

1ki 18:27-28 Now this is a brother I could hang with :0)

Re: - posted by MaryJane, on: 2013/2/22 9:03

Greetings

I postd under the topic that Greg shared yesterday on the topic similar to this. Jokes, jabs, mocking, and sarcasm can be very hurtful and yet it is something that many struggle with. We have become such a callous people, so often things are said that are cruel and hurtful but we call it joking...I wonder how often JESUS laughs at the things we now consider funny.

On another note it can be a very real struggle to be around another who finds humor in this way and who is very sarcastic. It is something I find I really need to be in prayer all the more for.

God bless
mj

Re: - posted by sonofthunder (), on: 2013/2/27 2:34

Yeah well said MJ

I hear ya ...i really hear ya.

The old testament saints/prophets didnt have "what we have"

The new birth, regeneration, the new creation experience in Christ Jesus

I think its called being "born again"

That's the first thing to establish here.

Not saying they werent God's (of course) (or unsaved)

But according to my understanding the new testament saint under grace should in effect - NOT have sin being in dominion over him.

Which also helps explain the struggle O.T saints had with Sin.
(yea even the prophets)

Now according to the apostle peter the holy ghost was sent down from heaven after christs death (post day of pentecost) and therefore assisting us to have greater power of sins of the flesh.ecet ecet.

The new testament saint has a better covenant ...with better PROMIES.

GIVING us some clear advantages regarding the struggle with-in.

But anyhow we try to justify something that is a clear "put off in scripture

How quickly we try to pass off sarcasm as something harmless and *funny*

To be sure God has sense of humour (in the right context) i believe.

But ridicule, mocking, and injurious sarcasm is a spirit from Satan.

As i said' sarcasm endeavours to get a good rapore at parties and social get togethers - and after all its the sarcastic comments which create quote " a supposeded humourous atmoshere. (well supposededly)

Its easy to dish it up - it makes people laugh (and comes at no cost to you.) Okay you might get the laughs for social wit - and for being the proverbial smart Alec.

But As MJ said and she stole my thunder actually ...Jesus did not go around cracking funnies, looking for humourous situations to tell a joke or to pay out on peter for being such a clux refering to his blunders and his blowing - it numerous times.

When peter was naked on the boat and realized it was the risen Lord approaching he quickly reached for some clothing attire and dived headlong into the waters. But notice Jesus didnt say afterwards ... to his disciples .. ah man that was a cack, halirous, so funny, why did you see how swiftly he (Peter) dived into the water and his face was as red and flushed as a beetroot.

Im sorry to have to inform you as did MJ that NO Jesus didnt go around paying out on people in order to seem funny an

d/or witty. (seeking to be clever, halirous, or the proverbial jokester)

Jesus was in the image of God (perfect) and never so once stooped so low as to engage in sarcasm...nor was he given at all to jokes or clowning around. Jesus mirrored the father full of light, sinless, and avoided sarcasm thereby.

(funny that)

And definitely no pun intended either.

Re: question - posted by dohzman (), on: 2013/2/27 7:58

Do you believe in sinless perfection? Just asking because that's what I seem to be reading in your statements above?

Re: - posted by sonofthunder (), on: 2013/2/28 4:11

Perhaps dont assume anything.

As you know nothing about me (really)

Howevet if your someone trying to justify sarcasm.

Your barking up the wrong tree. (Here)

Paul said in colossians and ephesians we should know the "put offs"

His words not mine.

Therefore as new borns we are exhorted to *put off* this this and this

Otherwise sanctification in the spirit ...means nothing.

So new testament christians are worse off ...than o.t saints?.

Or do we have more power over Sins?

Sin shall NOT have dominion over you.

For you are NOT under law (but grace)

Pauls words not mine.

The law caused the offence to increase.

The law worked wrath.

Grace works in the opposite vein.

This is According to paulsvwords (not mine)

Therefore (and a no brainer) at that

Sarcasm shouldnt be to difficult to die out to ...nor justify

Let alone reign in. (And crucify)

A process (yes) but an acknowledgement of sin (necessary)

You cant changeb what you dont OWN or confess to.

Whats so hard or difficult about dying out to this Sin?

Why do people. Want to justify sarcasm and being condescending

Its so unlike christ. (It really is)

(And we are called to follow in his steps) according to peter and paul.

Make excuses for being holy - - not unholy.

Accept it and move on.

There is NO excuse in the bible for Sin.

Only room for confessing and acknowledgement.

God does NOT condone sarcasm.

In any way - shape- or form.

Your decieved to think otherwise.

Seriously:

Give up the cit-coms at 7.00 pm (there funny)

But deadly to your walk in christ

Re: - posted by sonofthunder (), on: 2013/2/28 4:53

Actually not a few modern preachers have confessed therr liking to the

7.00 pm time slot cit coms.

Oh. But there funny (lighten up) will you.

Funny?

Nay: sexual references in nearly all 7 pm cit- coms

Do yourself and your walk with christ a favour.

Give em up (including the god-less) big bang theory

Re: - posted by sonofthunder (), on: 2013/2/28 5:07

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You are judging me now.

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Re: - posted by dohzman (), on: 2013/3/4 0:36

I don't watch TV so I have no idea whats on at what time. I enjoy humor, I see it all around me. Sarcasm in the prophets of the Old Testament as well as in many great New Testament preachers has been used to make points. A steady diet of any one thing is.....dull/dry, lifeless. I have been looking for Paul's passage that says put off humor...figured it was some where between the Old-man and...just kidding brother. I was just wondering if maybe you may have watched some of those sit-coms so that you know first hand what they are about, humor wise? Personally I haven't and don't intend doing so.

Re: - posted by sonofthunder (), on: 2013/3/4 4:31

I dont believe humour is bad

(Dont re call saying that anywhere)

I dont believe Jesus indulged in sarcasm (however)

and he's the role model ...were called ...to walk in his steps.

If you dis-agree (thats your choice)

Personally speaking (which is often) how i phrase a lot of my writings.

Personally after living 50 some years on this planet i fail to see a good side to sarcasm.

What i do however know is this: that people often get reproved and rebuked by others " who say in response to it (that is sarcasm) are you being sarcastic to me ...are you" ? people dont seem to appreciate it.

that is sarcastic attitudes and sarcastic humour.

usually sarcasm is Loaded ...and inflicts a wound ...to the hearer.

It unfortunately is Rated as some kind (form) of humour.

But it gendereth towards its sister (ridicule and mocking)

And i might be mocked ...and/or ridiculed.

But let me say this ...

(God is not mocked) and never shall be:

As for the cit-coms ...the comment was not made

(to make comparisons "re" personal levels of consecration)

but merely in reference to how ...a lot of what is comedy nowadays is not a good influence on us especially if you are someone that "chooses"

it's a choice (not to be tainted) by such humour or comedy..

Re: - posted by sonofthunder (), on: 2013/3/4 5:26

Actually this response has me thinking Isn't there so much in proverbs about the scorner, the scoffer, those given to foolishness and folly?

And James warns about the tongue being a veritable/ literal world of iniquityset on fire of hell.

Jesus said by our words were justified or condemned.

And shall give account ...for every IDLE word.

I know Peter said of the prophets (they were holy)

he's right (the HOLY Ghost) came upon them - by God.

They were moved By the holy ghost ...and inspired ... by the HOLY SPIRIT

From God. If the prophets engaged in sarcasm or ridicule.

Do we say God was behind it.

Mmm. Big call

Re: - posted by sonofthunder (), on: 2013/3/4 9:08

Some online definitions and usage of sarcasm are as follows:

Someone who is sarcastic often says the opposite "of what they mean" in order to Mock or Insult someone.

A cutting, often ironic remark intended to wound:

A form of wit that is marked by the use of sarcastic language - and is intended to make the VICTIM ...The butt of contempt or ridicule.

(that's interesting there held up contempt and ridicule)

Sarcasm: a sharp bitter. cutting expression, a bitter gibe or taunt.

Sarcasm comes from the Greek word (sarkasmos) which means to "tear flesh" "bite lip in rage, sneer.

Sarcasm overall meanings: ironical, satirical, cynical, cutting, caustic, biting, acid, mocking, backhanded, contemptuous, sneering, disparaging, sardonic, vitriolic, derisive: out of this entire list only 2 possible exceptions might be found to use sarcasm: irony and satire.

The rest is all Bad and damaging.

As for those seemingly 2:exceptions ...fine lines to work with (very fine that is without crossing boundaries) or it degenerating into garbage.

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Another point of interest most web sites thought overall its harmful.

Those who justified some exceptions and giving examples of usage generally used sexual references and swear words in there examples.

interesting.

using irony and satire is in effect dancing with the devil ...how do you control sarcasm before someone gets terribly hurt and eventually offended?

Personally i will stay with paul ...a little leaven ...leavens the whole of the lump.

My opinion is your better off ...staying right away from it.(sarcasm)

likewise with all sin its not a matter of how close i can come without falling over the edge ...but a case of- how far AWAY i can Get.

Seriously you better off....purging it ...from your life (honestly saints) keep right away from it. Flee jesting and jesters. This here absolute poison.

Re: :) - posted by dohzman (), on: 2013/3/4 11:01

I thought that might gain a fire storm from you.I'm not sure that you have read the bible New Testament anyway without preconceived notions on this subject matter. When I have time I'll list some scripture for you on sarcasm in the NT and show you some examples. None stoop as low as your definition however but are meant to jab at sin in a cutting way. Among people I know who use sarcasm, most do not go to the base extreme. Here's an example of what is sarcasm: Someone talks on _____(blank issue) and the hearer responds with,"Are you kidding me!", that my friend is sarcasm, expressions like "Really?," "Seriously?," and many more are also used in a sarcastic way. I think maybe people have used sarcasm in your past that hurt you and so you may have a perverted view of the subject matter. That's alright though its really no big deal. It may be that your convictions are a counter balance to the opposite extreme, and to that I say good for you, honestly...no sarcasm intended.