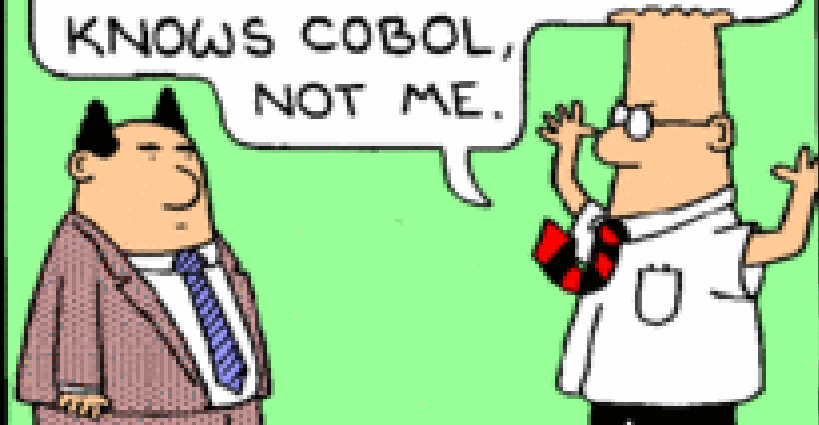
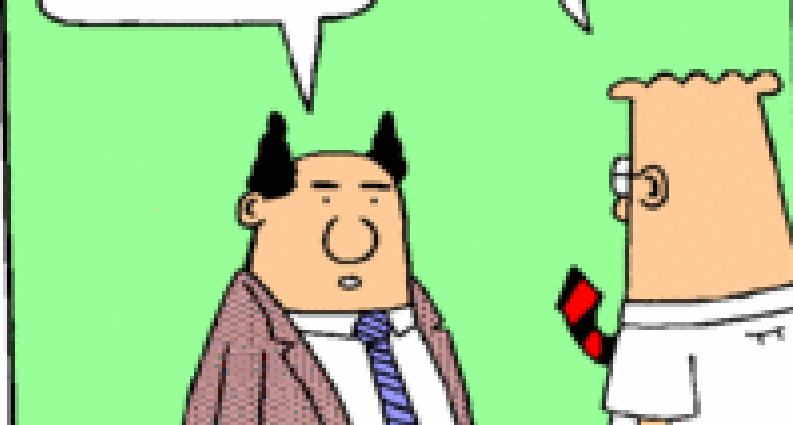


WHY ARE YOU SENDING ME TO TEACH COBOL TO THE ELBONIANS? WALLY IS THE ONE WHO KNOWS COBOL, NOT ME.



WALLY SAID HE'S BUSY THAT DAY.

CAN'T YOU RESCHEDULE THE CLASS?



OKAY... DOES TOMORROW WORK FOR YOU?

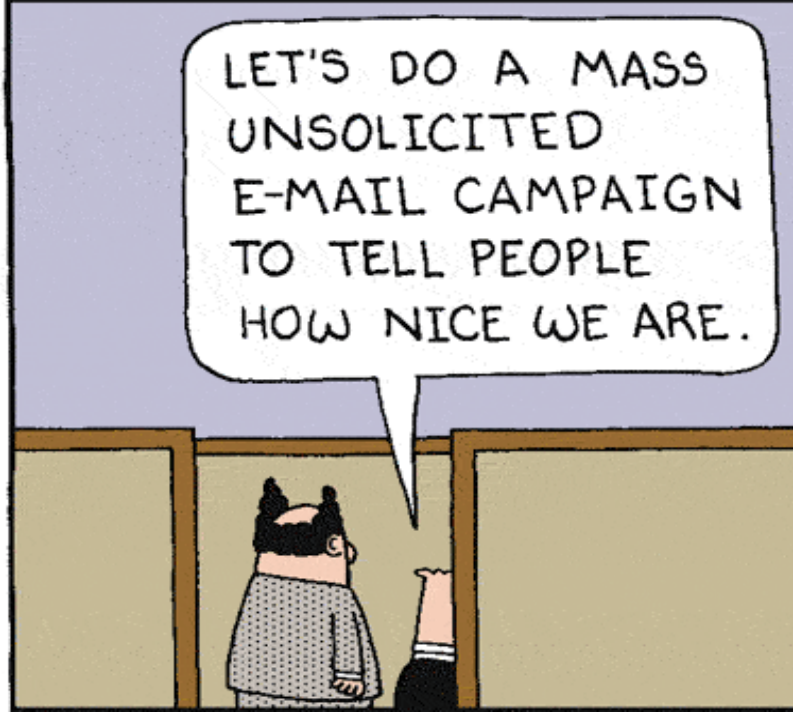
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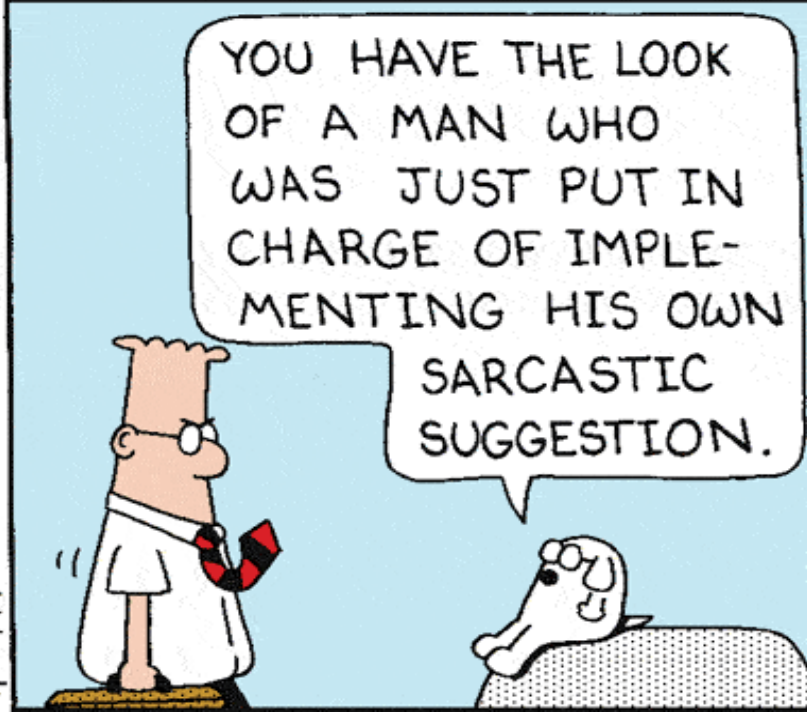
WE HAVE TO IMPROVE OUR IMAGE IN THE INTERNET COMMUNITY.



LET'S DO A MASS UNSOLICITED E-MAIL CAMPAIGN TO TELL PEOPLE HOW NICE WE ARE.



YOU HAVE THE LOOK OF A MAN WHO WAS JUST PUT IN CHARGE OF IMPLEMENTING HIS OWN SARCASTIC SUGGESTION.



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# Who are the People in Your Neighborhood?



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Learning to Love the People  
that God so Loved

# Love Your Neighbor!

**Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against anyone among your people but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the Lord.**

**Leviticus 19:18**

## Who is My "Neighbor"?



# Not in My Neighborhood



**Learning to Love  
the People that Choose  
to Live in Sin**



# Sinner

**Sexual Sins: Homosexuality, Adultery, Sex before Marriage**

**Addictive Sin: Alcohol, Drugs, Pornography, Gambling**

**You're Solving  
The Wrong Problem**



# The Wrong Problem

**What's the way we usually handle the issue?**

**Kick them out of the neighborhood!**

**“If they are doing \_\_\_\_\_ they should  
not come to church”**

**“If they are doing \_\_\_\_\_ they can't be part  
of the church”**



# Those People

**YOU'RE SOLVING  
THE WRONG PROBLEM!**





# **It's a Sin Problem**

**You need a relationship with God through  
Jesus to deal with sin**

**The best place to build that relationship  
is amongst people that already know Jesus**

**The problem you solved was you made the church more  
comfortable, but you did not make it more effective**



# The Sarcastic Suggestion

**For in the same way, you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.**

**Matthew 7:2**



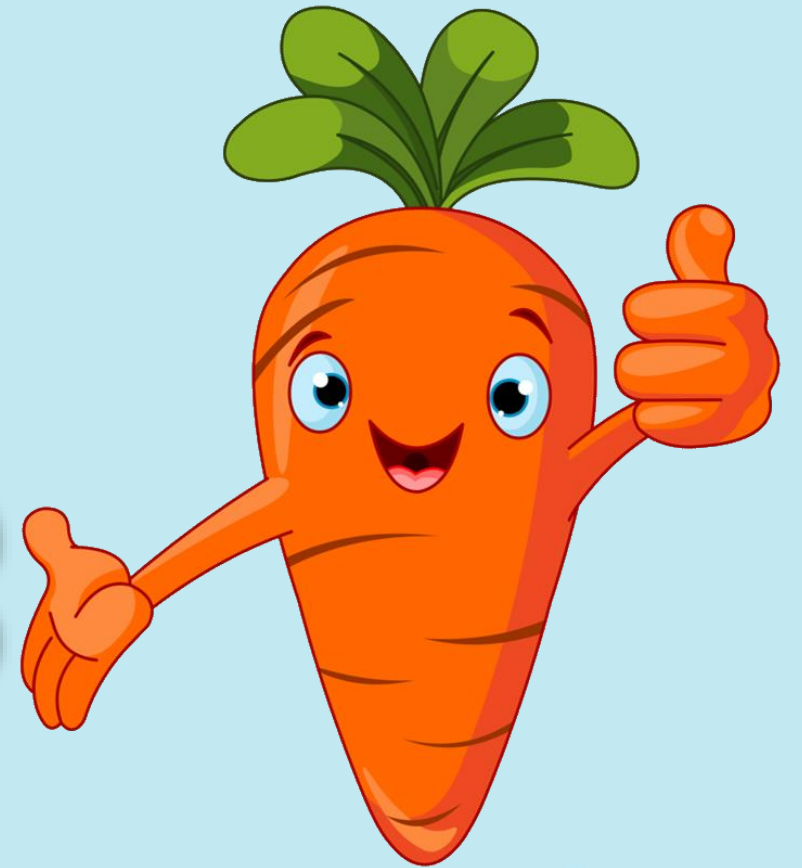
**How do I Love Them?**



Call Sin... Sin



# Vegetables



# No Label Needed!

**For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it.**

**James 2:10**

# Welcome to the Neighborhood!





**No Rocks Allowed**



# Do you have SIN?

**“Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? How can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? You hypocrite first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.”**





# Grace and Mercy

**When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So, he began teaching them many things.**

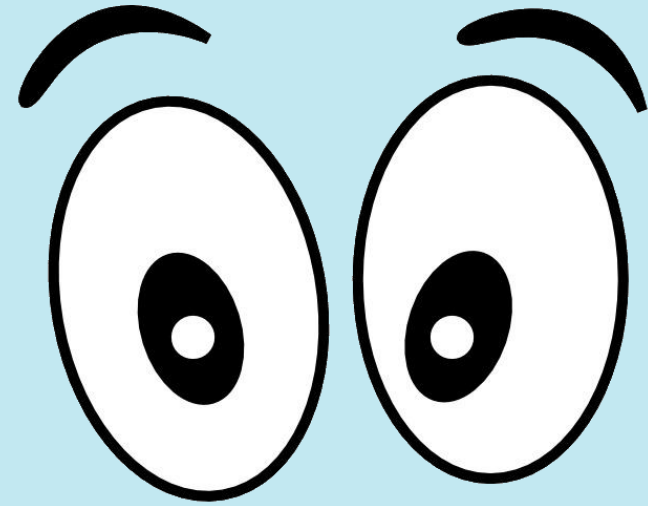
**Mark 6:34**

# Compassion



# What we See:

**Danger, Contamination, and  
“Bad People”**



# What we Feel:

**Anger, Contempt, and Hate**



# Compassion

**“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.”**

**John 10:11**

**Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead**

**1 Peter 1:3**



**These are the People  
in our “Neighborhood”**

**God Said Love Them!**

