



**Walter:** Dean, what happened to you?

**Dean:** They roughed me up over at that church down the street.

**John:** What did you do, take money from the plate?

**Dean:** No, I just suggested they sing a hymn instead of another one of those praise choruses...

# Which One Is Your Church?



## Youth group for "adults"


- entertainment focused with easy songs and no big Bible words so as not to confuse or challenge the audience
- shallow kiddy pool type sermons with only 3 or 4 verses ripped from context and fill-in-the-blank notes
- felt needs, self-help, pop-psyche, feel good plastic banana, butter wouldn't melt in the pastor's mouth, kidz t.v. show schmaltz.



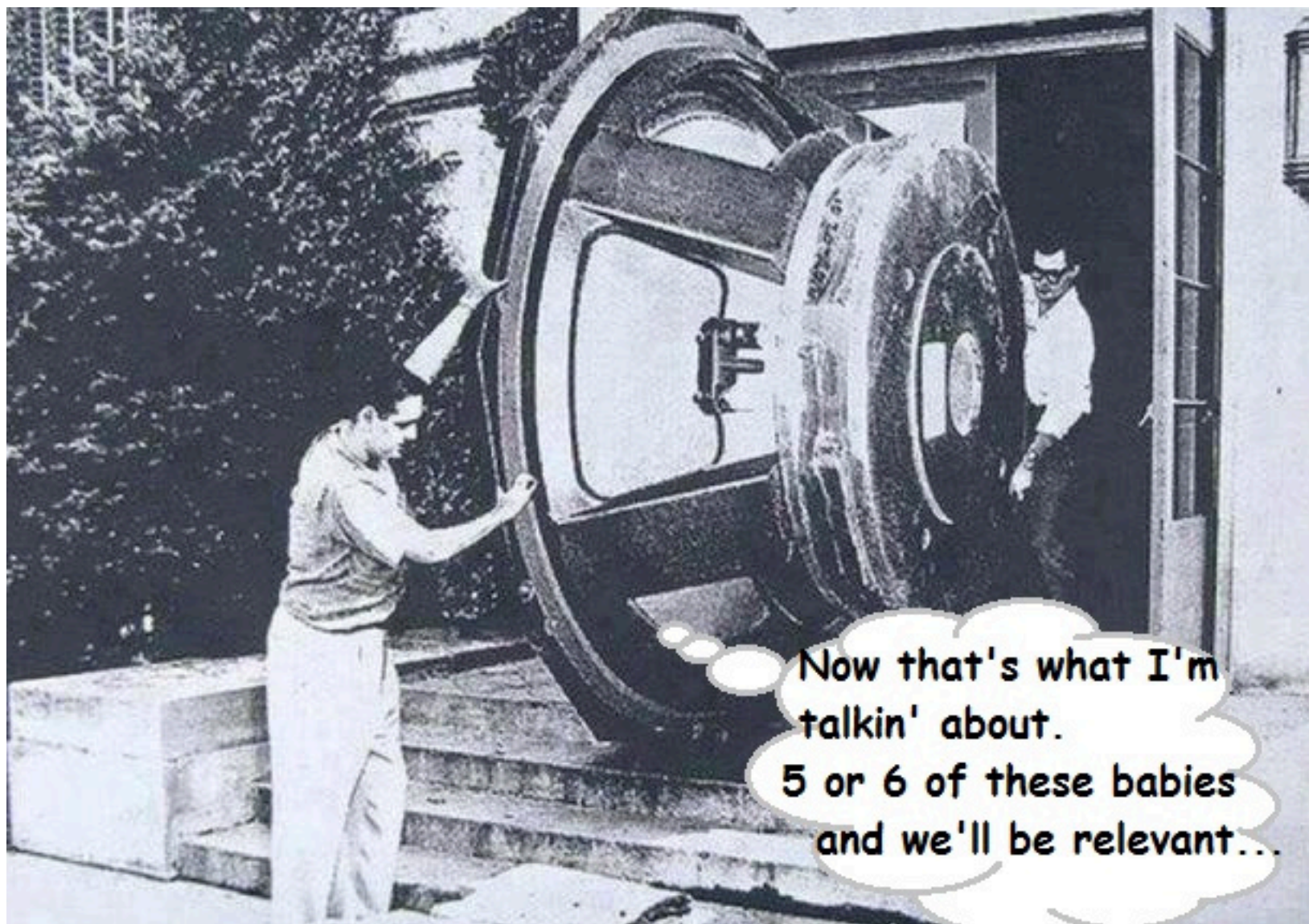
## ***THE REAL DEAL***

- Christ-Centered, Cross-Focused beefy meaty sermons that unashamedly proclaim the full council of the Word of God
- solid hymns that represent the full catalog of historic Christian hymnody with lyrics that actually teach sound Biblical doctrine
- Word and sacrament, law and gospel, sin and grace, heaven and hell
- church for grown ups that grow Christians up



A photograph of four people in a dark setting, likely a church, laughing heartily. From left to right: a man with glasses and a striped shirt, a woman with glasses, a woman with long blonde hair, and a man in a light-colored shirt. They are all looking upwards and to the right, suggesting they are watching a performance or speaker. The lighting is warm and focused on their faces, creating a joyful and candid atmosphere.

If the audience bursts into laughter at the sheer absurdity of the concept of taking out a hymnal... you are in a Seekermergent church.



Now that's what I'm  
talkin' about.  
5 or 6 of these babies  
and we'll be relevant...





## Tired of the same old Christianity? Try Progressive!

Why continue to swallow the stale taste of the historic faith when you can try something new 'n' different? Our theology soup is loaded with exciting extra-biblical ingredients and spices from the East to fortify your spiritual journey. Frankly, we don't know what's in this stuff, but that's what makes it so mysterious and yummy!



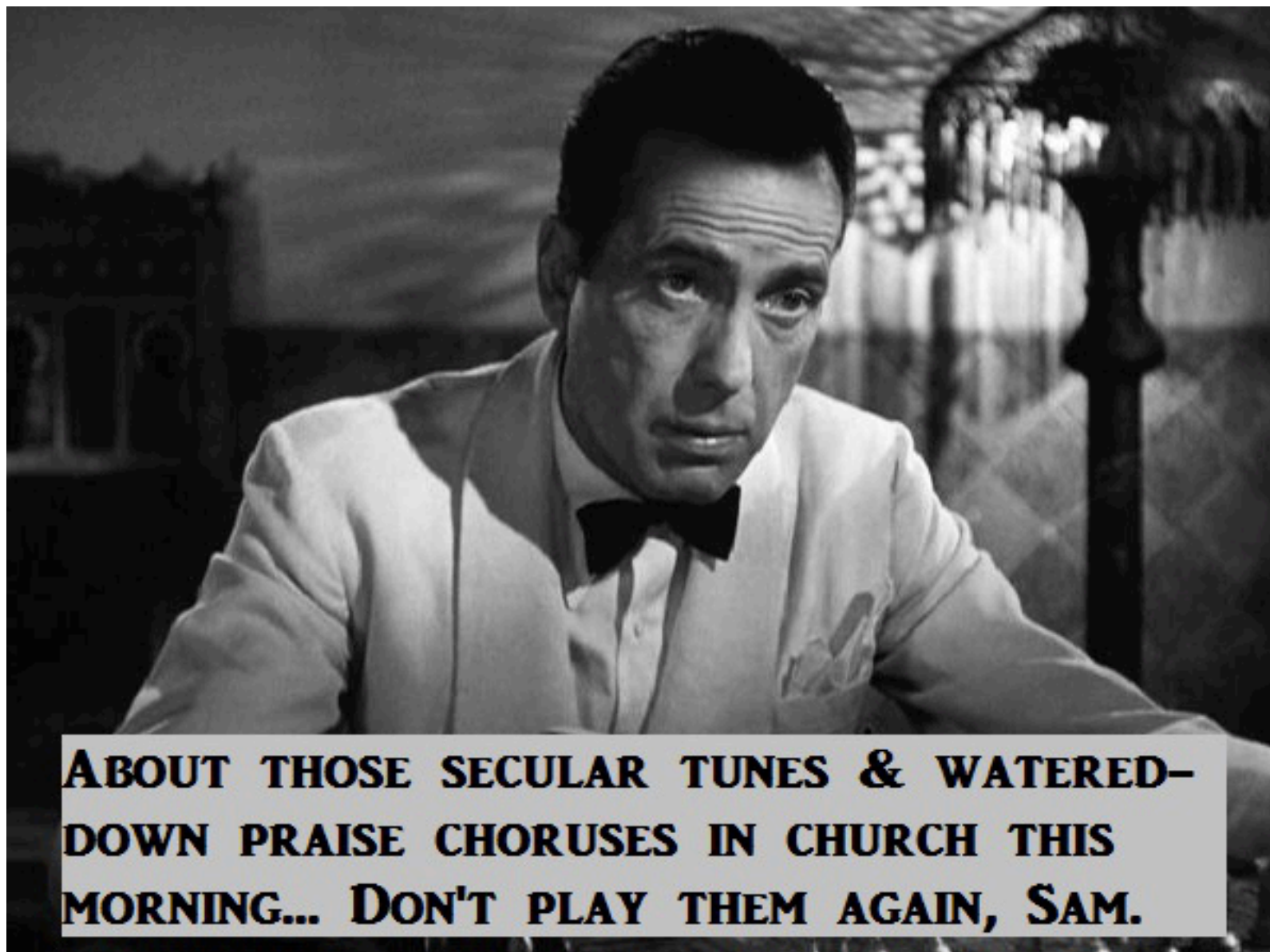
Creamy Theology Soup

Saying ministry is more about deeds than creeds is like saying  
feeding the hungry is more about plates than food...

Remember: Friends don't let friends go Seekermergent.

*Truthinator's Blog*



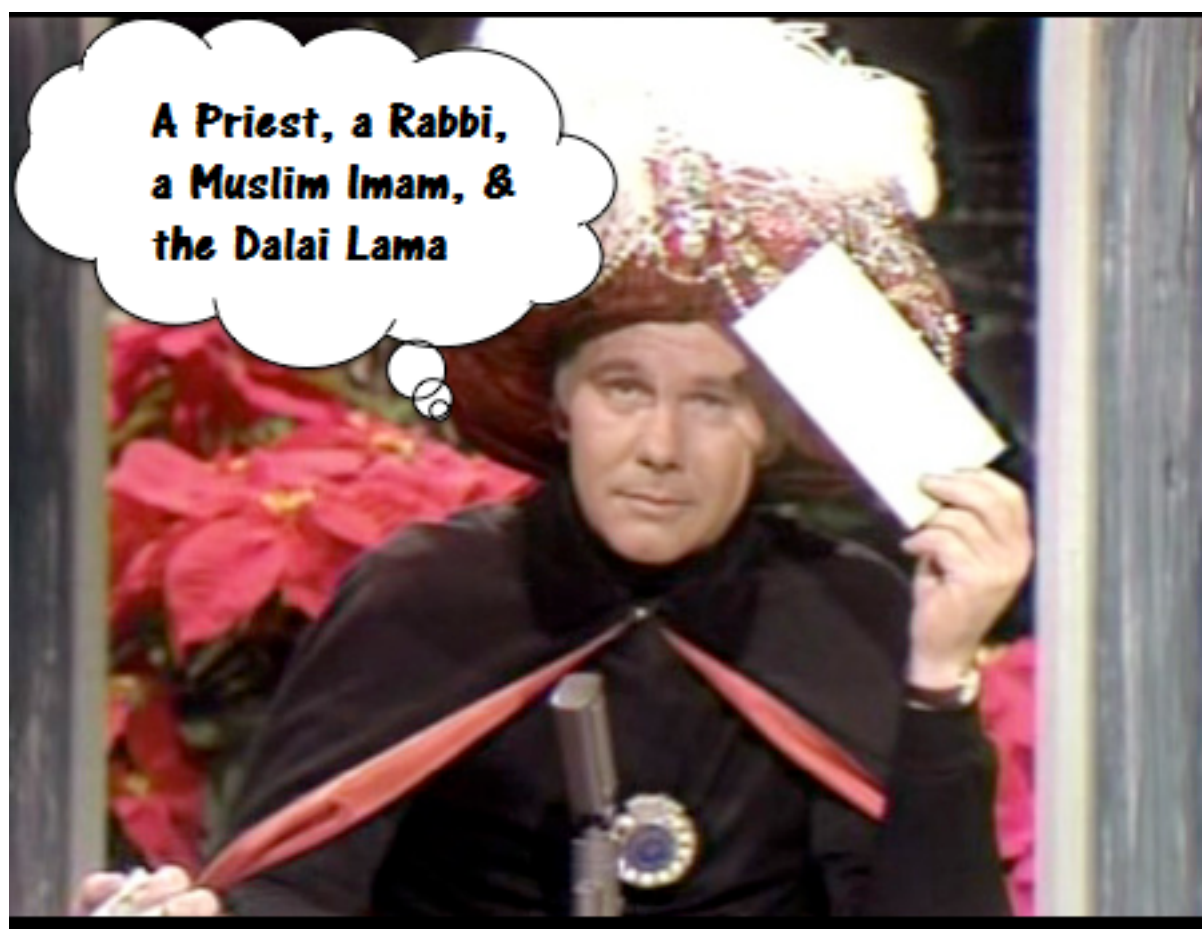


**ABOUT THOSE SECULAR TUNES & WATERED-DOWN PRAISE CHORUSES IN CHURCH THIS MORNING... DON'T PLAY THEM AGAIN, SAM.**

*...then the couple asked me if we have a choir at this church.*







**Name some of the folks Rick Warren  
wants you to follow on Twitter...**

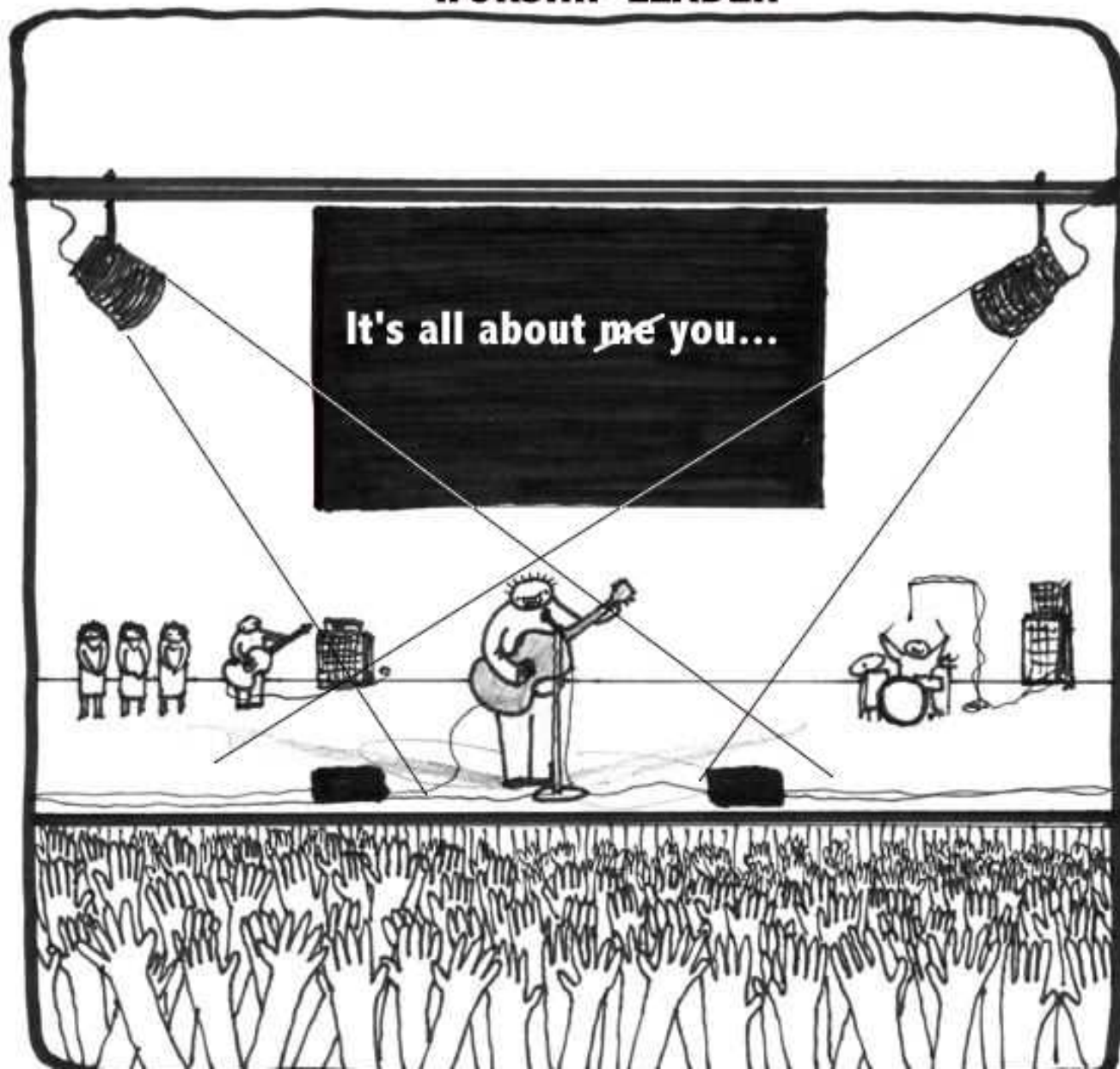




**THIS IS OUR LEADER WORSHIP**

**I mean...**

**WORSHIP LEADER**





"I'd like to share a song with you that the Lord gave me a year ago...and even though He did give it to me, any reproduction of this song in any form without my written consent will constitute infringement of the copyright law which grants me the right to sue your pants off...praise God. So please buy my CD after the service"



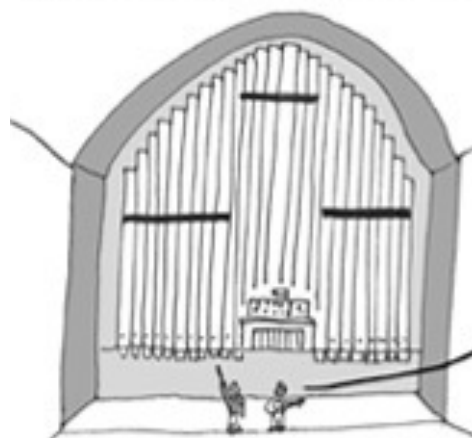
*Beware of especially passionate worshipers  
who might raise their hands too quickly.*



THAT WAS SOME IMPRESSIVE  
WORSHIP. DO YOU EVER USE  
THE OLD ORGAN?



WHAT  
ORGAN?



YOU MEAN  
THAT'S NOT  
PLUMBING?

Alex



***"You're the funniest worship leader we've ever had.  
When you said "everyone take out a Hymnal", I almost  
wet myself..."***





Thank you, gentlemen, for meeting here in the basement.  
If we hurry, we can probably sing a few hymns before  
they find us and shut us down...

I can't believe we  
were asked to leave  
because of the way  
we are  
dressed....things have  
really changed.



## The Secret Ingredient to the Success of the Seekermergent Concept







**If people don't support the vision he casts, the megachurch pastor should simply practice blessed subtraction and leave their bodies piled behind the ministry machine.....it says in the Bible nowhere.**

Mark Driscoll, pastor, Mars Hill (Emergent) Church, Seattle, Washington



FIRST  
BAPTIST  
CHURCH

SUNDAY SERVICES

WORSHIP

9:00AM

10:30AM

BIBLE STUDY

9:00AM

10:30AM

**SORRY ABOUT THE FIRE IN THE  
SANCTUARY. THE LEAD GUITARIST  
WASN'T AS SKILLED IN FIRE BREATHING  
AS HE LED US TO BELIEVE. MAYBE  
CONVERTING TO SEEKER SENSITIVE  
WASN'T SUCH A GOOD IDEA?**

**HYMNALS RETURN NEXT WEEK...**



The background of the entire image is a photograph of a church service. A band is performing on a stage, illuminated by vibrant blue and purple spotlights. A large, dark crowd of people is visible in the foreground, many with their hands raised in the air. The overall atmosphere is one of a high-energy, contemporary worship event.

Seeker Community Church  
We want to connect with you...

unless you are one of those pharisaical,  
judgemental, narrow minded, intolerant,  
traditional, hymn-lovers... If you are, you can  
leave now while the band rocks the house!

We are a tolerant & inclusive church...

*Sofa Cultura... coming to a church near you.*





**Welcome to Seeker Circus Church, I am the Ringmaster  
& Pastor of PR, Multimedia, and Sensory Overload...  
Welcome to the show.**

**Rick Warren, dressed as a circus ringmaster, Saddleback Church.**

**Katie, it is vital that  
you master the most  
important aspects of  
piano if you are to play  
in the praise band...  
Forte and Accelerando.**





**...and in national news, the Greater Houston Seeker Megachurch split into two pieces Sunday morning. It was first thought that an earthquake was responsible but it was later learned that the congregation was doing the Harlem Shake during the offertory...**





**Look Andy, I've been reading the  
Message Bible and sure enough it  
says right here in Warren 3:16  
that using drama skits and secular  
songs can do wonders for your  
church attendance...**



**Note: Read from Right-most caption toward the left. Thanks.**

**BRACE YOURSELVES,  
IT'S TIME TO SING:**



**VERSE 1, CHORUS 1, VERSE & CHORUS 2, BRIDGE 1, CHORUS  
3-2ND MELODY, BRIDGE 3A, CHORUS 4, BRIDGE 3B, VERSE  
3, VAMP, ACCAPELLA, SOLO, FINAL CHORUS, END ON BRIDGE**