

# Sacred Cow Tipping

(Exodus 32:1-35)

- Introduction:
1. “Cow Tipping” has become a cultural “urban legend.”
  2. While many talk about it, no one seems to have any evidence that it’s ever been done.
  3. In a nutshell, “Cow Tipping” is when you sneak up on a cow that is asleep, but standing, and you push it over.”
  4. While such “cow tipping” is a myth, there really have been times when cows were “tipped over.”
  5. Furthermore, there are still some sacred cows that need to be tipped over yet today.

## I. Biblical Sacred Cows That Needed “Tipping”

- A. Moses “Tipped” A Sacred Cow
  1. (Exodus 32:1-35).
- B. Josiah “Tipped” A Sacred Cow
  1. (1 Kings 12:28; 13:1-5; 2 Kings 23:15-17).

## II. Today’s Sacred Cows That Need “Tipping”

- A. Churchianity.
  1. (John 14:6; Ephesians 5:23-27).
  2. When church traditions and institutions take precedence over Jesus, we have a “sacred cow” that needs tipped.
- B. The Gallery.
  1. (John 4:24; Acts 10:33; Hebrews 10:24-25).
  2. We are living in a time when people “church shop.”
  3. It’s all about convenience, and entertainment.
    1. Poor doctrine is more tolerable than a long sermon.
    2. Oratory skills are more important than content.
    3. Beauty is more preferred than holiness.
    4. Catering to felt needs is more desirable than addressing unfelt needs.
    5. We’re looking for positive, upbeat, pithy sermonettes that keep us amused rather than preachy, authoritative calls for repentance.
  2. Long-windedness has become a greater sin than heresy.
  3. God is the only audience to what is taking place today.
- C. Unloving Love.
  1. (John 13:34-35; John 3:16; Matthew 7:23; Mark 10:21-22).
  2. Love and acceptance are not synonymous.

- Conclusion:
1. Still today, there remains sacred cows that need to be “tipped.”
  2. We need to muster the courage of Moses and Josiah and stand up against these sacred cows and tip them over.