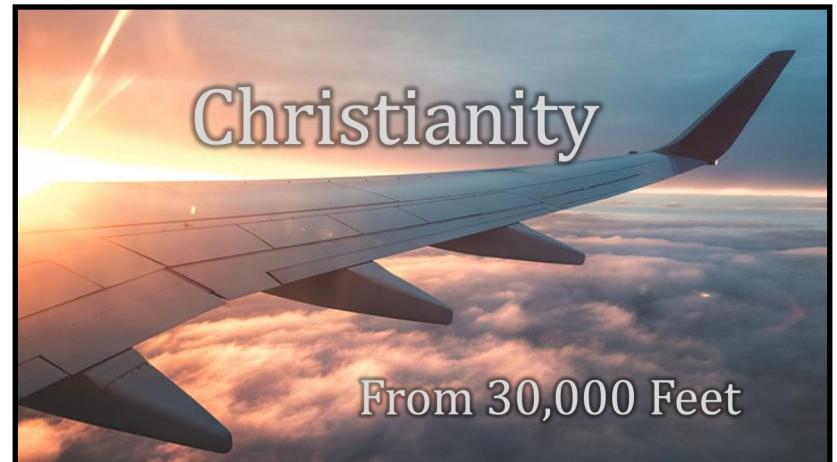


Read John 17:14-26. In that passage Jesus says his disciples (including us) do not belong to this world (and neither does he.) How might this affect the way we view the world and how we should live in it?

In verses 20-26, does anything grab your attention? What can we learn about culture from these verses?

Prayer Requests



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Scripture References

John 15:4 • John 1:1-3 • Genesis 6:5 ; 12:1-7; 15:13-16
Isaiah 9:6-7 • Matthew 24:14 • John 14:27 • Revelation 21:1-4
Romans 8:7-8 • 1 Corinthians 15:54-55 • Ephesians 3:10-11
1 Peter 1:12 • Romans 12:2 • Proverbs 22:24-25
1 Corinthians 15:33 • 2 Corinthians 6:14-17
Romans 13:1-5 • John 17:14-19

- 1) Our world is a mess because humanity is _____ from the one who made us.

- 2) Sin is not something we do, it's who we are. We sin because we're _____.

3) Justice (_____) is one of the essential attributes of God's character.

4) Once justice was satisfied through the death of Christ, God could show _____.

5) God's eternal plan is not about humanity. It's about revealing God's _____ to unseen rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.

6) The Culture has evangelists, preachers, and prophets, teaching you to _____ the way the culture does. They come at us through movies, books, social media, music, and even in our schools.

7) A sponge will _____ whatever it's immersed in, whether it's clean water or sewage.

8) We have to be deliberate about _____ the teachings of God from the teachings of culture.

9) The Bible tells us to _____ governing authority because it comes from God. "The authorities are God's servants, sent for your good." (Romans 13:1-5)



Small Group Discussion Questions

Please try to think these over and jot down some ideas prior to discussing them at the meeting, it will improve the discussion.

God has a plan for this world. What are your plans for this year?

Was there anything in the sermon that surprised you, or seemed especially challenging, helpful, or troubling?

The sermon quoted Ephesians 3:10, regarding God's wisdom. Read 1 Corinthians 1:18-27. What does this teach us about God's wisdom vs. man's wisdom?

Continued on reverse.