



"Inviting off-centered people to practice a God-centered lifestyle"

Membership #4 - Culture

1. What Is Culture?

Culture: the beliefs, customs, arts, norms, language, social structures, traditions, etc. of a particular society, group, place, or time.

Examples: ethnic backgrounds, socioeconomic statuses, age groups, workplaces, hobby / interest areas

2. The Kingdom of God

First and foremost, we are _____ of a kingdom (Philippians 3:20, Jeremiah 1:5)

- The Kingdom of God has a _____, with its own Language, Norms, Economy, Government, Arts, Literature, Music, Customs, Traditions, etc.
- These elements are rooted in God's _____ and His _____.

3. Christian Living

Ephesians 4 & 5 provides direction for honorable Christian living. We are entitled and expected to:

- a. Be _____ in all our dealings.

- b. Process _____ correctly.
- c. _____.
- d. _____.
- e. Discipline our _____.
- f. Be _____.
- g. Be _____.
- h. Live in _____.

As citizens of the kingdom, we have access to the Kingdom Culture through the power of the _____.

4. The Culture Around Us

God has called us be _____ but not _____
(1 John 2:15-17, James 4:4).

God's desire is for the Kingdom Culture to invade all cultures of the world (Matthew 6:10) through:

A. Justice

- The Kingdom of God is _____ (Luke 11:2, Matthew 7:21-23, Luke 13:22-30)
- The Kingdom of God is _____ (Luke 11:20, Romans 9:31)
- Joining God in His pursuit of _____ and _____ (Psalm 82:3-4)

B. Beauty

- We are _____, made in God's image (Genesis 1:27)
- _____ and _____ points to God

C. Evangelism

- Sharing the _____ of the Good News
- Through our _____ and _____
- In our areas of _____
 - _____ the people God has put near you

5. Your Culture

Which culture are you going to affect?

- a. Work
- b. School
- c. Interest Area
- d. Family
- e. Others?