



Cultural Realities

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(Making Disciples Cross-Culturally)

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We love America. That is a good thing. In America, God has given us a great place to live and freedoms to not only worship Him, but to share His gospel freely. We should pray for our country's leaders and be thankful to God for our nation. However, America is not eternal. The Gospel is. We must learn to leverage our status for the sake of souls.

Key Truth: If we neglect to _____ people's cultures, we will forfeit the opportunity to share the truth of God's Word.

1. Being "_____ for Christ" is not always a good thing.

Acts 10:34-43

2. Be yourself... but don't be _____.

1 Corinthians 9:19-27

3. Quit being _____.

Acts 15:5-21

Closing Questions for Meditation:

Can we respect the other cultures without approving of them?
How can we focus on those who have no access to the Gospel?
How can we create an intentional strategy to take the gospel to people who are different from us?

Study Review

Reboot: Changing the way we think of the World

God's Perspective of the World *(Biblical Basis of Mission from the OT)*

Focal Scripture Passage: Ps. 67, Gen. 12:1-3, Exodus 19:4-6, Isaiah 56:7

Key Truth: God's plan to reach all Nations began at the moment of creation. Missions is not an afterthought.

The Great Misunderstanding *(Biblical Basis of Mission from Jesus' Teaching)*

Focal Scripture Passage: Matthew 28:18-20

Key Truth: The Great Commission is not part of Jesus' teaching; it is the essence of it.

Nations Redefined *(What is a People Group? The basics)*

Focal Scripture Passage: Matthew 24:14; 28:18-20

Key Truth: God has given us the task to take the Gospel to People Groups who do not know Him.

Finishing the Task *(Status of Global Evangelism)*

Focal Scripture Passage: Luke 15

Key Truth: Our God given task of taking the Gospel to those lost in darkness must never leave the focus of our mind.

Prayer for the Nations *(Learning how to pray for Unreached People Groups)*

Focal Scripture Passage: Matt. 9:35-38, Ps. 67, Eph. 3:14-21, Eph. 6:12

Key Truth: Our prayer is not only central to the task of reaching all peoples, it defines how we see the world.

Gospel Threads *(Sharing the Gospel in everyday life)*

Focal Scripture Passage: Matthew 5:13-16

Key Truth: We must take the opportunities God gives us in everyday life to share the Gospel.

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Next Week: Making Disciples and Local Mission

(The connection between Discipleship and Local Missions)