

Trigger Warning || Cultural Questions

Group Notes

INTRODUCTION

In 1 Corinthians 5, Paul instructs the church not to judge the world. In fact, he says that we must have relationships with people who do not believe what we believe because we live in the world. Yet, at the same time, we hold fellow believers accountable and to a higher standard. What does it mean to be in the world and not of it? Is it ever ok to judge? How do we navigate the moral issues of our time in a way that honors Jesus and helps people turn to Him?

CONVERSATION STARTERS

- 1. What music did you listen to when you were a teenager that shocked your parents?
- 2. What song can play at any time and you would know every word?

SERMON NOTES REVIEW

Looking back at your message notes from this weekend's teaching, was there anything that caught your attention, challenged you, or confused you?

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GROUP DISCUSSION

- 1. How have you seen Jesus NOT represented well?
- 2. Who is someone you have a relationship with that thinks or believes differently than you do?
- 3. Read <u>1 Corinthians 5:9-12</u> and <u>Colossians 4:5-6</u>
 What do these passages mean to you? What does it mean to you to "be in the world but not of the world?"
- 4. What are some ways you tend to "judge" Outsiders (those who do not know Jesus)?
- 5. What are you currently doing to build relationships with Outsiders?
- 6. Read 2 Timothy 3:16 and Colossians 3:16
 In what way are we supposed to "judge" Insiders (those who know Jesus)? Share about a time in your life when you needed another follower of Jesus to shed "light" on your decisions, choices, or lifestyle.

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, please help me live out these passages we have looked at today. Please show me ways I have been "judging" Outsiders and help me learn to love them instead. Please also show me ways I have refused to be open to correction from fellow believers and give me the courage to speak up and admonish fellow believers as well.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Men's and Women's Sprints kicked off this week and it is not too late to join! Visit Mens.sv.cc or Womens.sv.cc for more information and to sign up at your campus!
- The Christmas season is coming! We will be honoring our single parents in our church at our annual Single Parent Blessing event the first week of December. Would your group consider sponsoring a single parent family? Please contact your Campus Pastor or Next Steps Director for more information!