





COMMUNITY GUIDE

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WEEKLY APPLICATION

TAKEAWAY: Considering Jesus will allow us to remain faithful amid a post-Christian culture.

HEAD CHANGE: My faithfulness to Jesus can withstand loss of influence, insecurities, and disappointment

HEART CHANGE: Holy Spirit come and strengthen my inner being.

LIFE CHANGE: To remain faithful we must daily practice the ways of Jesus.

OVERVIEW

Remaining Faithful in a Post Christian Culture

What if this is the easiest it will ever be to be a Christian in our culture? While that could be discouraging, we should be encouraged to know that God saw fit to create us to be alive in this cultural moment. However, if we are not intentional with our faithfulness, we will grow weary and lose heart. Weariness and loss of heart can come from the lack of influence and momentum, or the insecurity of stepping into what God is asking from us, or even the disappointment that comes when our plans do not match God's. However, if we consider Jesus and invite the Holy Spirit, our faithfulness and discipleship to Jesus will remain amid an ever changing post Christian culture.

"Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart."

-Hebrews 12:3 (NIV)-

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What stood out to you in this teaching and why?
2. 59% of Christians in Columbus say they do not have a responsibility to share the Gospel. Share your thoughts and why you believe that is?
3. Has a lack of influence, insecurity, or disappointment kept you from being faithful? Which one of these do you see affecting your faithfulness the most?
4. Jesus says if you love me, keep my commandments. How does reading this as a rule versus reading this as an invitation shape our obedience?

CLOSE IN PRAYER

Father, thank You for gracing me and trusting me to lead and love today. Use me to continue to bring the Kingdom of God to earth. Give us rest for our weary hearts and strengthen our inner being so that we may remain faithful in this season. Remind us to ponder and consider Jesus who is our Savior but also our example so that we may practice His ways. Thank you for loving us first so that we may love you and trust you in return. In Jesus' name, Amen.

IN THIS TOGETHER!