

REBELLIOUS

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PART ONE

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Introduction: Examples of New Culture Christianity

What is Postmodernism?

- The word is made up of two parts: post, meaning after, and modernism, hence that which comes after modernism. Postmodernism represents a new way of looking at the world and reality as opposed to the world and life view known as modernism.
- a. **Post modernism Christianity:**
 - While most practicing Christians reject postmodernism's claims about subjective truth, 1 in 5 practicing Christians strongly agree that "no one can know for certain what meaning and purpose there is to life (19%).
 - A similar number (23%) of practicing Christians strongly agree that "what is morally right or wrong depends on what an individual believes.
 - If your beliefs offend someone or hurts their feelings it is wrong (15%).

What is Secularism?

- A system of doctrines and practices that disregards or rejects any form of religious faith and worship.
- b. **Secularism Christianity:**
 - A belief has to be proven by science to be true (10%).
 - A person's life is valuable only if society sees it valuable (13%)
 - Meaning and purpose come from working hard to earn as much as possible so you can make the most of life (20%).

What is New Spirituality?

- The belief that all is one and one is all, all is God, and there is a change in consciousness. We become our own Gods.
- c. **New Spirituality?**
 - Nearly 1 in 3 practicing Christians strongly agree that "if you do good, you will receive good, and if you do bad, you will receive bad (32%).
 - 52 percent of practicing Christians strongly agree that the Bible teaches God helps those who help themselves.
 - Meaning and purpose come from becoming one with all that is (27%).

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John 15:5

"Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing."

Week 1: At Heart

Memory Verse: Galatians 4:6

And because we are His children, God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, prompting us to call out, "Abba, Father."

(Day 1) February 19: John 15:1-17

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: Per verse 9, how can we remain in the love of Jesus?

Question for Journaling: From this passage we can gather the true definition of a Christ follower: One who follows Jesus Christ and obeys His commands. Sadly, this is not the definition that is presented today. Jesus says in verse 4, "Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me." What are some things you can do to remain in the teachings of Jesus?

My Prayer



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Week 1 Notes (John 15:1-17)

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(Day 2) February 20: Galatians 5:1-15

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: In the old Testament God required that every male be circumcised at the age of eight years old. Circumcision symbolized a person who completely separated themselves from sin and devoted their lives to God by following His ways and commands. However, the Jewish people took it to another level, and made it a salvation issue. In other words, if you were not circumcised then you could not be saved. How does the Apostle address this issue in verse 9? How does this encourage you to not believe everything you hear without first finding out the truth?

Question for Journaling: In verse 13 the Apostle Paul says, " For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love." The world will tell you you can do whatever you want. How does knowing that Christ purchased your freedom on the cross, keep you from sinning and abusing the freedom that God has given you?

My Prayer



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(Day 3) February 21: Philippians 2:1-11

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: The Apostle Paul says in verse 4, "Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too." It is so easy to pay attention to what benefits us, but when it comes to thinking about other's, it can be more challenging. List five things that a friend, family member, or even your spouse may care about, or need some help with? How can you meet these needs?

Question for Journaling: In verse 5 the Apostle Paul says, "You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had." Throughout this passage we discover that the attitude of Jesus was humble and it was selfless. For instance, He chose to give up His own life to be crucified on a cross, so that anyone that would accept His love and sacrifice will be saved. We are all called to be like Jesus, by having His attitude. Even though not everyone is called to die for someone else, we are all called to make sacrifices for others. Given this, what are some things you can do to lay your life for someone else?

My Prayer



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(Day 4) February 22: Ephesians 4:17-32

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: Per verse 30, what can believers bring to the Holy Spirit (Gods presence) if we chose to not walk in His commands?

Question for Journaling: In verse 24 the apostle Paul says, " Put on your new nature, created to be like God-truly righteous and holy." Per this passage, what are some things that we can put on in our lives to live like Jesus lived?

My Prayer



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(Day 5) February 23: John 15:18-27

I learned from my reading today:

KEY CONCEPT:

PERSECUTION:

1. TO HUNT LIKE AN ANIMAL
2. TO SUPPRESS OR BRING DOWN

Going Deeper: Per verse 22, why is the world guilty of their sins? What do you think this says about how much Jesus loves us?

Question for Journaling: In verse 20 Jesus says, "Do you remember what I told you? A slave is not greater than the master.' Since they persecuted me, naturally they will persecute you. And if they had listened to me, they would listen to you." If we want to be like Jesus and live like Jesus, we will have to accept the reality of persecution. Can you name a time in your life when you were persecuted for something you did?

My Prayer



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Week 1 Notes (John 15:18-27)

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(Day 6) February 24: James 2:14-26

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: Per verse 24, how can we show others that we truly have a relationship with Jesus and that He has made our lives right in His eyes?

Question for Journaling: In verse 17 James says, " So you see, faith by itself isn't enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless." If we want to live like Jesus, we must be willing to live out the truth as He did. Given this, is there something that God has been speaking to you about that you have not done? How can you change this?

My Prayer



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Week 2: In Relationships

Memory Verse: John 13:35

Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples."

(Day 1) February 26: Proverbs 13:1-25

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: Per verse 10, what can cause conflict and how can we avoid it?

Question for Journaling: In verse 20 King Solomon says, "Walk with the wise and become wise; associate with fools and get in trouble." If we are not careful who we choose to have relationships with, we can begin to learn their way of living. Is there any relationship that you have that you need to put guards up or may even need to end the relationship?

My Prayer



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Week 2: In Relationships

Memory Verse: John 13:35

Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples."

(Day 2) February 27: Hebrews 10:19-39

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: Per verse 21-22, how are we to go into the presence of God?

Question for Journaling: In verse 24-25 the writer of Hebrews says, "Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. 25 And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near." An important part of our Christian walk involves growing relationships with other Christians. This is vital, because it is through other Christians that we can be empowered, strengthened, and even encouraged. Given this, what can you do to ensure that you are growing relationships with other Christians?

My Prayer



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Memory Verse: John 13:35

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(Day 3) February 28: Exodus 20:1-25

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: What are the Ten Commandments that God instructs us to live by?

Question for Journaling: Per verse 12, one of the commandments that God gives us to live by is, "Honor your father and mother. Then you will live a long, full life in the land the Lord your God is giving you." If we cannot learn to honor our parents, how can we learn to honor God the Father. God gives us the opportunity to love and honor our parents, so that we honor Him. How would you say your relationship with your parents is going? What can you do to honor them?

My Prayer



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Week 2 Notes (Exodus 20:1-25)

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Memory Verse: John 13:35

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(Day 4) March 1: Ephesians 6:5-9

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: Per verse 5, how are we to serve our supervisor, boss, manager, etc.?

Question for Journaling: In verse 9 the Apostle Paul says "Masters, treat your slaves in the same way. Don't threaten them; remember, you both have the same Master in heaven, and He has no favorites." In order for us to maintain a good relationship with our employees or staff, we must be willing to treat them the way Jesus treats us. We must not choose favorites or else we could be treating others unfairly. Given this, if you are a supervisor, what things can you do better to let your employees know that you love them and are there for them?

My Prayer



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Week 2 Notes (Ephesians 6:5-9)

Week 2: In Relationships

Memory Verse: John 13:35

Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.”

(Day 5) March 2: 2 Corinthians 6:14-18

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: What are some of the reasons why God does not want us to **team** up with non-believers?

KEY CONCEPT:

TEAM:

1. COMMUNION

2. JOINT PARTICIPIATION

Question for Journaling: How does this passage encourage you to think about those who you choose to let in your life, whether it is a dating relationship, friendship, and or future marriage?

My Prayer



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Memory Verse: John 13:35

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(Day 6) March 3: 1 Peter 3:1-7

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: What are some of the instructions the Apostle Peter gives for the role of wives? What are some of the roles of a husband?

Question for Journaling: If you are married what are some things you can do to make your relationship better? If you are not married, and are looking to one day be married, what are some things you can do to begin practicing your role?

My Prayer



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Week 3: As Families

Memory Verse: Galatians 6:10

Therefore, whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone—especially to those in the family of faith.

(Day 1) March 5: Genesis 2:4-25

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: What warning did God give Adam and Eve? Have you ever done something that God told you not to do?

Question for Journaling: In verse 23-24 Adam says, "At last!" the man exclaimed." This one is bone from my bone, and flesh from my flesh! She will be called 'woman,' because she was taken from 'man.

This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one" From the very beginning, God had a plan for marriage and family. A new married husband and wife are to leave their own family, to start a new family of their own. Given this, if you are married, whether you have children or not, what are some ways you have grown as a family? If you are not married, how does this verse help to understand Gods plan for family?

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Week 3: As Families

Memory Verse: Galatians 6:10

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(Day 2) March 6: 1 Timothy 5:1-25

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: Per verse 17, what do those who work well deserve?

Question for Journaling: In verse 8 the Apostle Paul says, " But those who won't care for their relatives, especially those in their own household, have denied the true faith. Such people are worse than unbelievers." One of the jobs of a Christian is to provide for his family. They must be willing to work with their hands and ensure that their family is provided for. If you are a provider or the provider of your family, would you say you find honor in the job He has given you? Why or why not? If you are not the provider of your family, what are some things you can do to show your appreciation for the hard work of those who are providing for you?

My Prayer



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Week 3 Notes (1 Timothy 5:1-25)

Week 3: As Families

Memory Verse: Galatians 6:10

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(Day 3) March 7: Proverbs 22:1-16

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: Per verse 15, what can discipline bring to young child?

Question for Journaling: In verse 6 King Solomon says, "Direct your children onto the right path, and when they are older, they will not leave it." Parents have a responsibility to train their children onto the narrow path of God. In other words, parents are to teach their children about Gods commands and also instruct to live by them. Given this, what are some things you can do to direct your children into Gods ways?

My Prayer



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(Day 4) March 8: Ephesians 6:1-4

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: Per verse 1, why does God want children to obey their mother and father?

Question for Journaling: In verse 4 the Apostle Paul says "Fathers, do not **provoke** your children to anger by the way you treat them. Rather, bring them up with the discipline and instruction that comes from the Lord." As parents we are called to raise up our children in Gods ways and teach

KEY CONCEPT:

PROVOKE:

1. ARROUSE TO ANGER

2. IRRITATE

them how to live like Jesus, but we are not called to discourage them or put rules on them that they cannot meet. Given this, what are some things that you have done that has made your children angry? What could you have done differently? If you are not a parent, how can you apply this to the relationships you have, such as family members, co-workers, friends, etc.

My Prayer



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Week 3: As Families

Memory Verse: Galatians 6:10

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(Day 5) March 9: Luke 2:41-52

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: Per verse 46, where did Jesus parents, Mary and Joseph, find Jesus?

Question for Journaling: In verse 52 Luke says, "Jesus grew in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and all the people." Just as it is a parent's responsibility to help their children learn about Jesus and train them in His ways, it is also important for children to be growing on their own. Given this, whether you are a young child or an adult, what are some things you can do to grow like Jesus did?

My Prayer



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Week 3: As Families

Memory Verse: Galatians 6:10

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(Day 6) March 10: Titus 2:1-15

I learned from my reading today:

Going Deeper: Throughout this passage the Apostle Paul helps us to understand what God's plan is in our lives, therefore, depending on your age and gender which specific group can you identify with and what instructions are given that God wants you to live out?

Question for Journaling: In verse 12 Paul says, "And we are instructed to turn from godless living and sinful pleasures. We should live in this evil world with wisdom, righteousness, and devotion to God." Is there something in your life that is keeping you from turning away from sin, and that is keeping you from devoting your life to God? What can you change?

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