

The Church Our World Needs Now

Reaching a Post Christian Culture

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“People liked what they saw. So, every day their number grew as God added those who were saved.” Acts 2:47

Jesus said, “My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place.”

John 18:36 (NIV)

- Ejection theology
 - The message of the Kingdom is NOT an escape from Earth to Heaven.
 - The message of the Kingdom is God’s Reign coming from Heaven to Earth.

The Kingdom of God

- God’s Reign through God’s People over God’s World

Power Over Vs. Power Under

- Power OVER Coerces Behaviors.
- Power UNDER Compels Behaviors.

*Do not **conform** to the pattern of this world but be **transformed** by the **renewing** of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing, and perfect will. Romans 12:2 (NIV)*

- Whenever the Church has defined itself as “Power Over” it has ceased to be the Church.
- Jesus didn’t come to Take Sides – He came to Take Over.
- The Church the world needs must be unbundled from Nationality, Political Ideology and Facebook Likes.

MY NEXT STEP TODAY:

- ☐ Recognize my need to be a part of God’s family
- ☐ What one change is the Lord challenging you to make?
- ☐ Be Baptized in water on January 24th
- ☐ Sign up for our next, NEXT STEP CLASS