



"Cultural Questions"

NOTE: Most people will feel very strong about each of the topics shared in this weekends' message. We wanted to provide other church resources that you can point people to if they have more questions. See page 2.

ALSO if you'd like to speak with a Pastor before or after your small group you can reach us at garrettneuman@hcbc.com or davidwooll@hcbc.com

Sermon Points: (All scriptures from message on page 2)

The loud call of politics is turned down with a deep commitment to discipleship

-Deepening your discipleship matures you to weather the storm

The American Church has been on a path

-Started poorly – we allowed cultural definitions as sufficient for biblical concepts

-Began to mature – we faced external biblical and relational challenges

-These challenges led to biblical clarity

Group Opener:

What stood out to you most from the message?

Discussion Questions:

1. How should we as Christians encourage each other during a political season that could divide us?

2. Read and discuss

2 Peter 1:5-8 ⁵ For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, ⁶ and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, ⁷ and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. ⁸ **For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

3. What is the best way you can deepen/mature your discipleship at this time?

4. What are ways a Christian can hold the clarity of God's truth about boundaries in sexuality while also holding the grace of Jesus drawing near to those who don't know Him?

5. Which of the questions from the message, resonated with you most? What one step God wants you to take in that area?

Hill Country Bible Church CORE BELIEF - hcbc.com/beliefs

HUMANITY - We believe that humanity, both male and female, was created in the image and likeness of God. Having been made in God's image, each human life, from conception to natural death, is precious to God. Each human is deserving of equal dignity, value, and worth. Jesus said the greatest commandment is to love God fully and to love our neighbor as we love ourselves. This command has no qualification and extends to each person regardless of their culture, ethnicity, or socio-economic status (Gen. 1:26-27, Deut. 10:17-19, Psalm 139:13-16, Luke 10:25-37, Acts 17:26, Gal. 3:28, James 2:1-13, Rev. 5:9-10, 7:9).

MARRIAGE & SEXUALITY - Marriage is a picture of Christ's relationship with His Bride – the Church. It is defined from the beginning of Scripture as a lifelong covenant between a man and a woman. God designed sexual intimacy for a marriage relationship and does not endorse or condone it in any other context (1 Thess 4:3-5, Eph 5:22-23, Gen 2:24, Matt 19:4-5).

Holy Sexuality Conference – hcbc.com/conference/

John 14 Philippians 4

II Peter 1:5-8

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Philippians 2:14-16

¹⁴Do all things without grumbling or disputing, ¹⁵that you may be blameless and innocent, **children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world,** ¹⁶holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain.

Acts 11:18 – Peter's visit to Cornelius

¹⁸When they heard these things they fell silent.

John 4 – Jesus and Samaritan Woman at well

¹⁹The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet.

²⁹"Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?"