



Daniel and his friends stayed true to God and His kingdom culture that they grew ten times better in health. Read Daniel 1:20.

Jesus calls us to change the world through the power of the Gospel and by living out the Kingdom culture.

1. Culture, as it shifts, will attempt to change your identity. Discuss the new labels the Babylonians placed on Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. What new labels is culture trying to place on Christians today?

2. Read Daniel 1:8. Discuss what it means to "resolve" not to defile yourself in this culture we live in today.

3. When culture shifts, you will be challenged to compromise your standards. What Godly standards are we witnessing culture challenge in this generation?

4. The Bible speaks about a generation that would "do what is right in their own eyes". What are the dangers in living according to standards that are our own?

5. When culture shifts, it attempts to claim you. What will you do to ensure that you don't give in to pressure when culture shifts? How will you remain steadfastly belonging to Jesus?

Will I change the world, or will the world change me?

Will my identity come from God or from the world?

Work:

Think of ways you can help change the world around you through kingdom living?

Pray for opportunities for yourself and your group to be the light of the world.

WEEK 1

THE CULTURE SHIFT

This past Sunday, Pastor Ta spoke on the very important subject of "THE GREAT CULTURE SHIFT." Everywhere we look it's clear that culture is shifting all around us. As Christians, how can we live Godly in an ungodly age? Daniel and the Israelites faced this same challenge during the Babylonian exile. The book of Daniel reveals to us principles that help us remain steady, even as culture around us changes.

Welcome:

Each one name iconic artist from the 1990s. What are/were they famous for?

Worship:

Sing, *HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD*

Word:

READ **DANIEL 1:1-6**

Let's discuss the sermon. Pastor Ta shared some pivotal points about what happens when the culture around us shifts:

1. **It will try to rename you.** Daniel 1:7
2. **It will try to tame you.** Daniel 1:8
3. **It will try to claim you.** Daniel 1:11-14

But when God's children choose to stay faithful to His kingdom culture's culture and not allow the culture shift to change them, God's presence, wisdom will define who they are.