

Discussion Questions

LifeGroups



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Sermon Series: Worldwide Week
Sermon Title: Guest Speaker: Aaron Pierce
Sermon Text: Ephesians 6:14

Bottom Line

As followers of Jesus, risk is a vital part of our faith. Risk is intrinsic to faith. Nothing of any significance will ever happen without risk. If you want to experience God's power in your life, you will have to face risks. Where there is no risk, there is no faith. Where there is no faith, there is no power. The closer you are to Jesus, the more intimate you become with God, the bigger He becomes and the smaller the world's obstacles become.

Scripture

1 Corinthians 2:1-5 (ESV)

1 And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. 2 For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. 3 And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, 4 and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, 5 so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

2 Corinthians 4:4 (ESV)

4 In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

1 Corinthians 4:20 (ESV)

20 For the kingdom of God does not consist in talk but in power.

Hebrews 11:6 (ESV)

6 And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

Acts 4:13 (ESV)

13 Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they were astonished. And they recognized that they had been with Jesus.

Gratitude, Prayer and Accountability

What happened this past week that you are grateful for? What would you like to prayer for today? How did God work in your life since the last time we were together? What is He doing through you as it relates to your Adopt 7?

Let's Start

Aaron Pierce was our speaker this week. He spoke passionately about reaching youth around the world for Christ. He talked about four things that are influencing global youth culture. What influenced you when you were a teenager?

Let's Talk

1. Aaron said that the religion of global youth culture is secular humanism. He defined secular humanism this way. "God has been replaced, man is at the center, and there is no outside authority to which I have to submit myself. Nobody can tell me what to do. I am God." How do you see secular humanism in our society?
2. Read 1 Corinthians 2:1-5. How could we apply this passage to our lives today? Do you see many Christians living this way?
3. Read 2 Corinthians 4:4. How has our world been blinded to the truth of God? How should we respond to those who are blinded?
4. Read 1 Corinthians 4:20. How have you seen God's power at work in you? Aaron talked about taking risks for God. When was the last time you took a risk for God? What happened?
5. Read Hebrews 11:6. What is sobering about this passage? What is motivating?
6. Read Acts 4:13. Who in your life have you seen that it is clear has "been with Jesus?" Why do you say that?

Let's Act

Aaron challenged us to take a risk for God. What is one risk that you feel that God might be calling you to take? Let's pray for each other as we take those risks.

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