The Exchange: Questions for Discussion



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- 1. What does it mean to be "in the world but not of the world"?
- 2. Do you think it is unrealistic (or undesirable) for Christians to not be 'of the world' completely? Is there a leeway in how much God intends for us to participate in this regard, and if so, how do we know what that is?
- 3. What are some challenges of maintaining your convictions when you are surrounded by people who believe otherwise?
- 4. How should we distinguish 'the world' from the people that live in it? Is there a difference?
- 5. Looking at Jesus as our example, how did he maintain his beliefs while still interacting with people from all walks of life? What are some things from His example that we can apply to our own lives?
- 6. Are there dangers in becoming used to secular or world beliefs, even if we don't have an aligning worldview? Are there benefits in doing so for the purpose of witnessing to others?
- 7. In what ways might the company we keep or the culture we are surrounded by affect our priorities or perceptions without us realising?
- 8. How can we act as an example without putting ourselves above the people we are trying to reach?
- 9. Is there a difference between religion and spirituality in regards to this topic? Does one afford additional freedoms above the other? In light of the subjectivity and differences of religious convictions, how should we live our lives and conduct ourselves with those around us?