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**Do you
believe in
miracles?**

***Engage with & give gospel
booklets to the lost***

IN THE WORLD... NOT OF IT

The
Broad Road

Jesus' call →

The
Narrow Path

Often the
response

The World

God's Kingdom

**Conformed into this
age or transformed
by the renewing of
our Mind?**

The Power of Influences

Digital technology and algorithms (social media, ads, TV, video games, movies, news, search engine results, etc.)

Our environment and surroundings (your home, school, and places you visit, such as stores, nature, etc.)

The expectations of family, friends, coworkers, and the culture or social “norms”

The influence of scripture, the person of the Holy Spirit, and the body of Christ

American Digital influence vs. Scriptural influence

95% of teens use social media

62% of teens use social media daily

20% - 26% of teens read the Bible

3% - 9% of teens read their Bible daily

90% of adults use social media

81% of adults use social media daily

42% - 48% of adults read the Bible

15% - 20% of adults read their Bible daily

The early church daily met, shared meals, praised, prayed, were in the word, and increased in number

Time invested... or time wasted

Average time teens spend on screens for entertainment daily (social media, video games, TV, etc.): 8 hours

Average time teens spend reading the Bible daily: 15 minutes
Average time teens spend in scripture with others daily: 8 minutes

Average time adults spend on screens for entertainment daily (social media, video games, TV, etc.): 6.5 hours

Average time adults spend reading the bible daily: 30 minutes
Average time adults spend in scripture with others daily: 13 minutes

Have we read and understood Jesus' prayer for us?

John 17:11-13 (NIV) ¹¹ I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled. ¹³ I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them.

Jesus' name means Yahweh saves, and when we're in Christ, we're forever safe.

The disciples did not yet understand all that Jesus was telling them, but the Holy Spirit would guide them into truth, resulting in joy in all circumstances.

Both God's foreknowledge and Judas's free will resulted in his path to destruction.

Do you abide in Christ for both joy and safety?

John 17:14-18 (ESV) ¹⁴ I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵ I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world.

We should not be surprised by the world's hatred toward us, nor should we seek the world's approval.

When we abide in God's word, we are transformed by the renewing of our minds. When we abide in the world, we become conformed into the image of this age. We are sent to seek and save the lost.

When you're in Christ, you're not of this world and are protected from the evil one, who by no means can hurt you.

Do you regularly examine how you are being transformed or conformed? What needs to change, or be added, or cut out?

John 17:19-23 (NKJV) ¹⁹ And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they also may be sanctified by the truth. ²⁰ I do not pray for these

alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; ²¹ that they all may be one, as You, Father, *are* in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent

Me. ²² And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: ²³ I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.

Jesus was set apart for the once for all sacrifice, preparing the way for the Holy Spirit

We have a high calling to shine the light of Christ to a world that both hates and desperately needs the sacrifice, love, joy, and peace from Christ alone

Jesus prayed for us! His prayer was that we'd be unified and have true belief that springs into action

When the world looks upon us, do they see Christ or compromise?