

Series: Where do you Stand?

Resident Alien

2 Kgs 20:17-19, Phil 3:17-20, Phil 4:1, Eph 2:1-5; 19-20, Jer 29:1-11, Ps 137:1

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Resident Aliens Message Notes

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Heart Crew Homework

For the week of August 31st/September 1st

MY STORY

1. What does it mean to you that your real citizenship is in heaven and how does this belief influence your daily life?

2. Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. As citizens of heaven, we acknowledge that our citizenship is in a kingdom which is ruled by a King; Let's take some time to read and discover what our King values and what His attributes reflect.

Psalm 139:13-14

Matthew 6:26

Romans 8:38-39

Psalm 145:17

1 Peter 1:15-16

- a. After reflecting on these verses, what qualities of God stand out to you?

b. How do they impact your understanding of what it means to be a citizen under His care?

2. God gives us the Holy Spirit to know His will and live by His values. Let's read **John 14:26** and share a time you felt led by the Spirit to live according to God's values. How did that experience impact you?

3. Pastor Jon mentioned that our actions today can affect future generations, this includes our children, grandchildren, and others in our community. How does this understanding influence your decisions and values?

4. In the message, we learned to recognize the enemy and stand firm in Jesus. Let's read these scriptures and discuss: What do they reveal about the enemy's tactics? How can this understanding help you stay strong in your faith?

John 8:44

Revelation 12:10

John 10:10

1 Peter 5:8

5. How do you navigate the pressures of societal norms that contradict your faith? Can you identify specific values from Scripture that guide your decisions in these situations?

6. This weekend's message taught us about the importance of building our lives on a firm foundation, as Jesus teaches in **Matthew 7:24-27**. Let's read these verses and discuss what practical steps can you take this week to ensure that you are building your life on the foundation of Christ?

7. In **Jeremiah 29:11**, God assures the Israelites in exile that He has plans for their well-being and a hopeful future. Despite their current challenges and uncertainty in a foreign land, God's message is one of hope. How does this promise influence your perspective on your own challenges or uncertainties? In what ways can you seek to align your actions with God's plans for your life, even when circumstances feel difficult.

TAKING IT HOME

As you think about being a citizen of heaven, reflect on how this belief affects your daily choices, relationships, and values. Consider the areas in your life where it's hard to trust God, especially when facing outside pressures or personal challenges. Who can you reach out to for support and encouragement during these times? This week, take clear and practical steps to live according to God's values and embrace the hopeful future He has for you.