

## UnChristian “Christians” — PART 2: How They Walk

### **Titus 1:10-16**

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Titus 1:10-11 Review: UnChristian “Christians”—How They Talk

### How UnChristian “Christians” Walk

- Truth & Falsehood is Central to This Passage: You Walk in Light of What You Believe & You Believe What is Either True or False
  - Sin Can Be Seen From Within & From Outside a Culture (1:12-13)
1. *“Always Liars”* - They Walk In Lies, Making Lying a Lifestyle & a Full Time Job
  2. *“Evil Beasts”* - They Walk More Like Selfish Animals Than Like Image Bearers
  3. *“Lazy Gluttons”* - They Walk Only to Feed Themselves & Not Feed Others
  4. *“Devoted to Jewish Myths”* - They Go Beyond Truth Until They are Living for Lies
  5. *“Devoted to...the commands of people who turn away from the truth”* - They Turn Away from The Truth to Follow People

### Why It Matters?

- These 3 C’s Matter: 1. Culture, 2. Christ, 3. Confrontation
1. **Culture:** All Places & People Have a Culture - A Mixture of Godless & Godly
  2. **Christ:** Christ Jesus is at Work Reconciling Sinners to God & to One Another
  3. **Confrontation:** The Heart of Confrontation: *“Rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith.”*
    - When Confronted Do We Hear Christ?
    - When Confronting Culture Do We Speak Christ?

## **What To Do?**

1. Admit Cultural Practices can Enter the Church for Good or for Ill
2. Understand that if You Love a Culture there are Things You Will Want To Change in the Culture
3. We Must Wisely & Lovingly Confront because We Care about Culture



*Only Christ Our Redeemer Can Help Us Redeem A Culture the Right Way*

## **Community Group Discussion Questions:**

1. Are there any questions or reflections you have about the sermon or passage?
2. Read and look at Titus 1:12-14; What phrases and parts are harder to understand or hard to receive? Why is that? Why do we struggle with confrontation and rebuke?
3. Consider the way that these UnChristian 'Christians' were walking. Discuss these 5 descriptions and what it reveals about the culture surrounding them? On the island of Crete, how is the culture negatively impacting the church?
4. Which of these 5 descriptions could be a good warning for yourself?
5. Consider why this matters. Discuss how this passage can help you navigate these 3 C's: Culture, Christ, & Confrontation. When confronted or confronting how is Christ at work?
6. Discuss the 3 ways we can relate with any cultural practice. Reject it. Redeem it. Receive it. How do you decide which to do? How does God's Word help us discern which to do?