

## SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Revolution | Pastor Brian Zahnd | August 4, 2019

- 1. When you were a kid, what did you want to be when you grew up?
- 2. What was the first presidential election you remember? What was that election season like?

Read Acts 17:5-7

- 3. In what ways were the apostles of Jesus "turning the world upside down"?
- 4. In many places within the Roman Empire the Caesar was worshiped and honored as the "son of god." Why did the pledge of allegiance to King Jesus look like treason in the eyes of the civic authorities?
- 5. Why did the early church not experience much anxiety about who served as the Roman Emperor?
- 6. The Beatles sang, "well, you know, we all want to change the world." Why is it NOT the job of the church to change the world directly?
- 7. What things can we do as followers of Jesus to "turn the world upside down" acknowledging with the Beatles that "destruction" and "minds that hate" are off the table?
- 8. What things can we do to stay away from fighting, hate, and discord if we choose to participate in the political process?

Read James 3:13-18

- 9. Which bits of the "wisdom from above" can you begin to put into practice this week?
- 10. What can you do to be a peacemaker in your neighborhood, school, or workplace?