

Church Division Q&A: Chad Olney

Intros:

- When was the first split?
 - Why is it important at all?
 - Circumcision?
 - Extremely hard to pinpoint

- When did they start shutting people out?
 - Ecumenical Councils of Nicea and Ephesus
 - Roman Rise of Christianity
 - Christianity wielding the power of a nation state

- When did they start killing each other?
 - Felix mantz
 - Killed for not baptizing his child at birth
 - Michael servetus
 - Had questions on the trinity
 - (and was a little crazy)
 - Heretic or martyr
 - Precedents for the future

- When did it get to genocide?
 - Nazis

Who are you? What do you do? How do we know each other?

(Nate):

- Notes

What is your experience with faith and church?

(Daniel):

- Notes

What did you think about the series? Was it relevant? Did it address an actual issue?

(Nate):

- Notes

Have you experienced a church divided by certain opinions?
What was that like for you personally?

(Nate):

- Notes

What does it do to a congregation member's trust to see leadership at odds with itself or the congregation? What about other churches or faiths?

(Daniel)

- Notes

What do you see in the future for the church, as it pertains to difference and division?

(Daniel)

- Notes

Themes We Are Tracking

- supersessionism
- Anathema
- Snowball effect
- Using the bible as a prejudice justifier
- Division as a tool

What do you think would make an interesting future series?

- What is a faith context?
- How does culture affect christianity?
- Why is Paul so intense?
- What is biblical justice?

What are some movies, shows or other narrative based media that you've interacted with that you think is important.

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