

# CULTURE SHIFT

## The Power of Influence

September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022

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*Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? <sup>14</sup> But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. "Do not fear their threats; do not be frightened." <sup>15</sup> But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, <sup>16</sup> keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. <sup>17</sup> For it is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil. <sup>18</sup> For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit.*

1 Peter 3:13-18

We change a culture when...

1. We are \_\_\_\_\_.

*Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good?*

1 Peter 3:13

Why are we?

• Someone \_\_\_\_\_.

• We want others to \_\_\_\_\_.

2. We are willing \_\_\_\_\_.

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1 Peter 3:14, 17-18

• It may be \_\_\_\_\_.

• \_\_\_\_\_  
to those who cause it.

3. We have \_\_\_\_\_.

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1 Peter 3:15

• We are able to communicate \_\_\_\_\_.

• We communicate with people \_\_\_\_\_.

4. We \_\_\_\_\_.

*But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. <sup>10</sup> Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. <sup>11</sup> Dear friends, I urge you, as foreigners and exiles, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul. <sup>12</sup> Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.*

1 Peter 2:9-12

• We are chosen to \_\_\_\_\_.

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1 Peter 2:9

- I have hope that someone loves me \_\_\_\_\_.

- I have hope that my life will mean something.

- I have hope that, no matter what happens to me, God gives me \_\_\_\_\_.

*And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.*

Romans 8:28

● We are chosen to lead people \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

- We do it through \_\_\_\_\_.

- We do it by \_\_\_\_\_.

*Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.*

1 Peter 2:10

- We do it by \_\_\_\_\_.

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1 Peter 2:9-12

*Command and teach these things. <sup>12</sup>Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity... <sup>16</sup>Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers.*

1 Timothy 4:11-12, 16

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