



# RC2

THE CHURCH EXPLORED

YOUTH HANDOUT

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# THE CHURCH IS AN OUTPOST OF ANOTHER KINGDOM

*Living As Citizens Of Christ's Kingdom*

## BIG IDEA

The church is not meant to reflect *the values of the world.*

Believers belong to *Christ's Kingdom* and are called to live as visible representatives of Jesus in the world.



## KEY SCRIPTURE

**Philippians 3:20**

*"For our conversation is in heaven..."*

### Additional Scriptures

- Mathew 5:14-16
- 1 Peter 2:9-12
- Colossians 3:1-2
- John 17:14-18



## MEMORY VERSE

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*"For our conversation is in heaven..."*



## MAIN QUESTION

**What Does It Mean To Live As Citizens Of Christ's Kingdom?**

Christians live in the world, but ultimately belong to: *Jesus Christ.*

- The church should reflect:
- holiness
  - love
  - truth
  - compassion
  - and faithfulness

Believers are called to: *represent Christ visibly.*

## ESTIMATED TIME

**45 MINUTES**



## SESSION SNAPSHOT



**OPENING ACTIVITY**  
10 min



**TEACHING**  
15 min



**DISCUSSION**  
15 min



**CHALLENGE & CONNECTION**  
5 min



**PRAYER**  
5 min

## SESSION GOALS

- By the end of this session, students should understand:
- Christians belong to Christ's Kingdom.
  - The church should reflect Jesus, not culture.
  - Believers are called to live differently.
  - Christians are meant to be visible witnesses.
  - Holiness and love should shape Christian life.
  - The church represents Christ in the world.

## THREE IMPORTANT TRUTHS

### 1 CHRISTIANS BELONG TO ANOTHER KINGDOM



Followers of Jesus live under: *Christ's authority.*

Our identity is shaped more by:

- Christ
- Scripture
- and God's Kingdom than by culture.

### 2 BELIEVERS ARE CALLED TO LIVE DIFFERENTLY



Christians should stand out through:

- humility
- holiness
- kindness
- truthfulness
- love
- and faithfulness

Not because believers are superior — but because they *belong to Jesus.*

### 3 THE CHURCH REPRESENTS CHRIST IN THE WORLD



The church should point people toward: *Jesus Christ.*

How believers live publicly matters.

The church becomes:

- a witness
- a light
- and a visible picture of Christ's Kingdom.

## THINK ABOUT IT

- 1 What values does culture encourage most today?
- 2 How should Christians live differently from the world?
- 3 Why does public witness matter?
- 4 How can believers represent Christ faithfully without becoming hostile or isolated?

## WEEKLY CHALLENGE

This week:

- intentionally reflect Christ publicly,
- practice kindness and holiness,
- encourage another believer,
- and look for opportunities to represent Jesus well.

Ask yourself: *"What Kingdom am I reflecting?"*

## PRAYER FOCUS



Father, thank You for calling us into Christ's Kingdom. Help us live faithfully, reflect Jesus clearly, and represent Your truth, holiness, and love in the world around us. In Jesus' name, amen.



## MEMORY VERSE

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*We are not of this world, but we are in it for His Kingdom.*