

# Christ, Culture, & the Cross

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## The Interview

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*The Letter of 1 Corinthians*

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*The Five Challenges*

1) \_\_\_\_\_ . . . & \_\_\_\_\_ .

Matthew 26:38/Luke 12:37/1 Peter 5:7

Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith.

(1 Corinthians 16:13)

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. . . . Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.

(Ephesians 6:10, 13)

Do not deceive yourselves. If any of you think you are wise by the standards of this age, you should become “fools” so that you may become wise.

(1 Corinthians 3:18)

2) Be \_\_\_\_\_ . . . & \_\_\_\_\_ .

Be courageous; be strong.

(1 Corinthians 16:13)

For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

(2 Timothy 1:7, NRSV)

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.

(Joshua 1:9)

If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first. If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you. . . . They will treat you this way because of my name, for they do not know the one who sent me.

(John 15:18-19, 21)

3) Do \_\_\_\_\_ . . . In \_\_\_\_\_ .

Do everything in love.

(1 Corinthians 16:14)

Brothers and sisters, I could not address you as people who live by the Spirit but as people who are still worldly—mere infants in Christ. . . . You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere humans? For when one says, “I follow Paul,” and another, “I follow Apollos,” are you not mere human beings?

(1 Corinthians 3:1, 3-4)

Now about food sacrificed to idols: We know that “We all possess knowledge.” But knowledge puffs up while love builds up.

(1 Corinthians 8:1)

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

(1 Corinthians 13:1-3)

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### *One Final Question*

⇒ \_\_\_\_\_ You \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ . . .

\_\_\_\_\_ & His \_\_\_\_\_—Or The \_\_\_\_\_?