

What Am I Doing Here? Part 5

I'm Not Who I Was

Reference: **Ephesians 2:1-3**

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Today we are going to examine some of the **details of these verses**, observe some of the **principles being taught**, and as always emphasize some **applications** for our lives.

Exposition:

Verse One (see screen)

Who is that Paul is talking about?

He is specifically talking about Gentiles who became

_____.

Reference: **Ephesians 1:13** (see screen)

Paul has just described the **human** _____ (*dead in trespasses and sins*), and he has described the _____ **of salvation** (*made alive*).

The most vital part of a person's personality -the _____ - is dead to the most important factor in life —_____.

Transgressions are defined as _____ **of a law**, a **command**, or a **duty**.

References: **Psalm 32:1**; **Romans 4:15** (see screen)

The Bible talks about **physical** death, _____ death, and **eternal** death. **Spiritual death** is ultimately being

_____ **from God** who is the source of spiritual life.

Reference: **Genesis 3:6** (see screen)

Verse Two (see screen)

"According to" means to be in accord with, **in** _____ **with**, or in keeping with.

The statement Paul is making is that the spiritually dead are **in agreement with the course of this** _____.

The thing that shape how people view the world, their expectations, or how things should work or behave is called their _____.

Why am I here according to the course of this world?
According to this worldview people want to live in a way that **glorifies** _____.

Why am I here according to the Bible?
According to the Bible I am here to **glorify** _____, not myself.

References: **Acts 17:30; Psalm 139:16** (see screen)

What does a good life look like according to the course of this world?

According to the course of this world a good life according to the world depends on your _____.
A good life is subjective.

What does a good life look like according to the Bible?
According to the Bible, a good life is about **loving** _____.

References: **Hebrews 12:2; Psalm 73:25-26** (see screen)

Do other people matter or only me according to the world?

According to the world, **only** _____ **people are important** and **others are not**, depending on their situation.

Do other people matter or only me according to the Bible?

According to the Bible the value of people is _____ in that they were made in the image of God.

Reference: **Genesis 1:26-27** (see screen)

According to this passage, the world is under the power of the _____.

Disobedience means **to refuse to obey authority** or in this case, **a refusal to obey** _____.

Reference: **Isaiah 53:6** (see screen)

Verse Three (see screen)

Lust is defined as a desire for what is _____.

Lust refers to the desire for things that are _____ **to the will of God.**

Reference: **Matthew 5:28** (see screen)

Flesh is defined as the _____ bodies of humans or animals.

Reference: **Psalm 56:4** (see screen)

Without Jesus, people are under the judgment of God, and because of their sinful rebellion against God, all people deserve His _____.

Principle One: (v.1) Christians _____ dead but now are alive.

Reference: **2 Corinthians 5:17** (see screen)

Application: _____ the Word of God every day.

Reference: **Psalm 119:105** (see screen)

Application: _____ church regularly.

Reference: **1 John 1:7** (see screen)

Application: Be a _____ to those who are still dead.

Reference: **Romans 1:16** (see screen)

Application: Let **love** _____ as much as you can.

Reference: **1 Peter 4:8** (see screen)

Principle Two: (v.2) Christians _____ walking according to the world, but now should not.

Reference: **Acts 5:29** (see screen)

Application: Learn the _____ and reject what is _____.

Reference: **Luke 6:48** (see screen)

Principle Three: (v. 3) Christians _____ conducting themselves in the lust of the flesh, but now should not.

Reference: **1 Peter 5:8-9**

Application: Be sober and vigilant, and _____ the devil.