

Strangers, Not Spectators Part 4

We are Citizens of Another Kingdom

We are Foreign Nationals

We are Strangers Here

Our Citizenship Is in Heaven

Strangers Don't Settle In

The Strange Ones of the Faith

The Cost and the Joy of Being a Stranger

The Danger of Becoming Spectators

The Danger of Withdrawal

Our Calling Is Active, Not Passive

The Danger of Blending In

The Danger of Getting Comfortable Too Early

God's Call to Faithful Presence

We are Called to be Salt and Light

We Are Workers in the Harvest

We Are Lights in the Darkness

We are Ambassadors

Living Attractive Lives

Modern Examples of Faithful Presence

The Power of Ordinary Faithfulness

Jesus Modeled Faithful Presence

Jesus was the Perfect Example of a Stranger, not a Spectator

In the World But Not of It

What Does It Look Like to Be a Stranger, Not a Spectator?

Four Biblical Truths that shape the way we walk this out

- 1. We must daily remember our true citizenship.*
- 2. We must refuse to withdraw or conform.*
- 3. We must be active agents of the Kingdom, where we are.*
- 4. We live by pursuing holiness that is attractive, not annoying.*

Getting Personal

A Call to Faithful Presence

Living the Mission

A Call to Live as Purposeful Strangers

Forever Remember The City That Is to Come

(Philippians 3:20) But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ,

We need to _____ where We Belong

(Philippians 3:20) — “But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ.”

(Philippians 1:27–28a) Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in one spirit, contending as one man for the faith of the gospel {28} without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you...

Citizenship Determines _____

Citizenship Is a _____ Reality

Citizenship Creates _____

(1 Peter 2:11) Dear friends, I urge you, as aliens and strangers in the world, to abstain from sinful desires, which war against your soul.

You Are _____ to Live as a Citizen Now

Living Worthy Does Not Mean _____ your way

The Gospel Is the _____

1. You Stand Firm Together

(Philippians 1:27b) ...stand firm in one spirit, contending as one man for the faith of the gospel

2. You Are Not Driven by Fear

(Philippians 1:28a) without being frightened in any way

3. You Live with Expectation

4. You Reflect the Culture of Heaven

The Danger of Living in the _____ Place

(Philippians 3:19) Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is on earthly things.

Four _____ to Help Yourself Live

1. Reset Your Identity Daily

2. Filter Your Decisions Through Citizenship

3. Stay Connected to Your People

4. Fix Your Eyes on Christ

(Revelation 21:3) And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God.