Living in the World (Part 1) under 14’s

Our world can really challenge people who follow of Jesus sometimes.

We will look at a few bits in the bible about things called principles that we must do as we live in the world.

To begin, look at these bible truths concerning the life God has given us.

Recognizing that we are special s believers in Christ, we make up the church. The meaning of the word “church” refers to a group of individuals who have been “called out.”

Followers of Christ have been chosen by God Himself (Find this with a grown up Eph. 1:4-6), and have been given a high calling (more stuff to find Phil. 3:14) in which our lives are to bring glory to God (goodness me, more to find Eph. 3:21; 5:27).

We are here, not to live for ourselves, but for the glory and honour of our Creator!

> How does God choosing us change our lives? It gives clear meaning and purpose to our lives - we exist for God! Understanding Our Place in the World Jesus tells His followers, “You are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world” (John 15:19; read John 17:14-16).

Through believing in Christ we become part of the family of God (Eph. 2:19).

We are no longer owned by the world. We still live here, but we are just passing through (I Pet. 2:11).

For this reason, it can be said that we are “in” the world but not “of” the world.

> How should being “in not of” the world impact the way we live? Though we are a part of the society in which we live, our lives should be clearly different from those of the world. We are not here to just be normal in our world, for we have a purpose that gives us a higher calling.

We are not to fit in, for our identity sets us apart! As believers, the lives we live must be **different!**