



Do You See What I See?

INTRODUCTION

Can you think of an example when your personal convictions were being challenged? Can you share this example?

Can you point to an example where you believe the “moral compass” of our culture has shifted on an issue? What used to be wrong is considered Ok today?

Looking back at your notes from this week’s sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK

Ephesians 2:4-5a “But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—”

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Summarize what is happening in 2 Kings 6-7.
2. What lessons can we learn from this week’s text?
3. What does it look like to stand for your convictions in 21st Century America?
4. Where are we most likely to find ourselves in conflict with the cultural values of today?

5. How should we respond to conflicts of conscious in our culture today?
6. How do we distinguish personal convictions from biblical convictions that apply across all boundaries?
7. How do we determine when it is time to draw a line and stand on our conviction?

NEXT STEPS

Questions to consider as you continue to reflect on what you learned this week:

- **Take Action:** Where do you find your convictions being challenged today? If you are uncertain how to respond, make a note of the conflict and begin praying and reading your Bible with this question in mind. The Holy Spirit will give you clarity.
- **Take Courage:** God is merciful to us in the midst of manmade calamity. The cultural crisis we face today continues to worsen, not improve. God is with us and will strengthen us in the midst of these difficult times.

Work to memorize this week’s memory verse: Ephesians 2:4-5a “But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—”

Our Core Belief this week is The Holy Spirit (2 Corinthians 13:14): We believe the God of the Bible is the only true God and is eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Remember to use the Daily Bible Reading plan as part of your walk with Christ, taking the time to reflect on each passage and what it means for your lives.

