

Culture Reflection & Study Notes

2.3 Jewish Beliefs

Purpose

To introduce the spectrum of beliefs that Jewish people hold.

Scriptures

Daniel 9, Nehemiah 9, Proverbs 9 – God's view of history and of spirituality

Romans 12:1 – Renewing the mind is key

Philippians 2:5 – 11 – Messiah's culture should influence us

2 Chronicles 20 – The Biblical worldview in action

Bible Study & Reflection Questions

- 1) Why is it important to have the same worldview as God does (as expressed in the Bible)?
- 2) Why do you think people hold to different world views? What factors might influence a person's outlook on life?
- 3) Why might there be a variety of worldviews within Judaism?
- 4) Thinking about worldview, how can we show our Jewish friends that believing in Jesus doesn't cancel out being Jewish?
- 5) In your own words, how would you describe the values of your own worldview?
- 6) In what practical ways could we help the Jewish people we know grow closer to God? What questions could you ask to probe a bit deeper?
- 7) What values do we hold that our Jewish friend might also hold? How could we use these common values as a way to engage the topic of Yeshua the Messiah?

Theology Touchpoints

The 13 Principals of Jewish Faith <u>here</u>
The Main Jewish Denominations <u>here</u>
Signs and symbols <u>here</u>

Prayer points

<u>Thank</u> God that he is able to use the events of history, the elements in culture and even the ebb and flow of personal events to draw people to Himself (<u>Isaiah 43:13a</u>).

<u>Pray</u> that Christians would value the uniqueness of each Jewish person and seek to find commonalities of culture through which the Gospel can be shared.

<u>Intercede</u> for Jewish people – May those who are far away come near and may there be revelation that embracing Jesus can enrich Jewishness and lead to a deeper anchoring in the God of the Bible.

In reaching out culturally to Jewish people reliance on the Holy Spirit is important.

Your Notes:

We recommend that you view the Care section of videos first and then watch all of the videos before you engage Jewish people with the Gospel.

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