

THE BOOK OF DANIEL

andly living in an ungodly age

“When Culture Shifts” – Chris Hodges

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Review It

It's clear that culture is shifting all around us. As Christians, how can we live Godly in an ungodly age? Daniel and the Israelites faced this same challenge during the Babylonian exile. The book of Daniel reveals to us principles that help us remain steady, even as culture around us changes.

Talk About It

1. Culture, as it shifts, will attempt to change your identity. Discuss the new labels the Babylonians placed on Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. What new labels is culture trying to place on Christians today?
2. Read Daniel 1:8. Discuss what it means to "resolve" not to defile yourself in this culture we live in today.
3. When culture shifts, you will be challenged to compromise your standards. What Godly standards are we witnessing culture challenge in this generation?
4. The Bible speaks about a generation that would "do what is right in their own eyes". What are the dangers in living according to standards that are our own?
5. When culture shifts, it attempts to claim you. What will you do to ensure that you don't give in to pressure when culture shifts? How will you remain steadfastly belonging to Jesus?

Think About It

"Will I change the world, or will the world change me?" "Will my identity come from God or from the world?" Ask the Holy Spirit to show you how you can answer these questions and identify with Him.

Act On It

Remove anything from your life that the Holy Spirit reveals to you that needs to be removed. Choose to identify with God even in an ungodly age.