



What is a Christian? Part 6

Opening Game/Thought

Slogan Competition - Each person get a sheet of paper and see who can get the most of these slogans correct! Maybe as a family, choose a prize (you get to choose dinner) if you win or a punishment (you have to do dishes) if you lose! Once you're done guessing, check your answers with this website:

https://www.sporcle.com/games/fishdog/company_slogans_ALL/results

- I'm lovin' it
- Just do it
- Eat fresh
- Taste the rainbow
- Finger-lickin' good
- Zoom Zoom
- They're grrreat
- Every kiss begins with _____
- Melts in your mouth, not in your hand
- Are you in good hands?
- Like a good neighbor _____ is there
- Silly rabbit, ___ are for kids
- So easy a caveman can do it
- Have it your way
- The great American chocolate bar
- You can do it, we can help
- Betcha can't eat just one
- Perfect.
- Makes mouths happy
- Play. Laugh. Grow.
- You'll love the way we fly
- Drive one
- That was easy
- Kill bugs dead
- The best a man can get
- Go Meat!

It's crazy how some of these words can get stuck in our heads! Advertisers spend lots of money to make sure their message gets lodged in our brains. I'm sure you've had plenty of times you wish something would stick in your brain and times you wish your words would be remembered by others. We're going to look at these words we wish would last today.

Check it! (Scan this QR code)



Scripture:

Take a deep breath in and breathe out. Bring your mind and body to an open space as you read the scripture

1 Thessalonians 5:12-22 (NRSV)

But we appeal to you, brothers and sisters, to respect those who labor among you, and have charge of you in the Lord and admonish you; esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among

yourselves. And we urge you, beloved, to admonish the idlers, encourage the faint-hearted, help the weak, be patient with all of them. See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to all. Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil.

Philippians 4:8-9

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

Group Questions

- Do any of your family members have a funny saying or motto that they say all the time? For example, my grandad always said "if the cows are eating, the fish are biting."
- Is there a deeper lesson you remember a loved one telling you?
- What lesson that you've heard about God is most important to you?

Prayer

Jesus, we are bombarded by so many messages in this world, messages that want to embed themselves in our brains. God, let your words be etched in, engraved, imprinted permanently in our minds and hearts. Let them drive our lives and our relationships, Amen

Thought

Paul writes these letters to a church in the area of Thessalonica and the Philippians, and these sections come towards the end of his letters. So these are the last words of Paul to his friends that he rarely sees. It's crazy to think about a time that we couldn't message, snap, dm, or video chat a person that we wanted to talk to immediately. Paul didn't know the next time he would get a letter from these people he loved. He didn't know when he'd be able to send another letter. He especially didn't know if he would be able to see them again. Consider every good thing God has done to you and how it has changed you. What would you hope your loved ones would carry with them if you never got to speak with them again?

Closing Prayer (write yourself)
