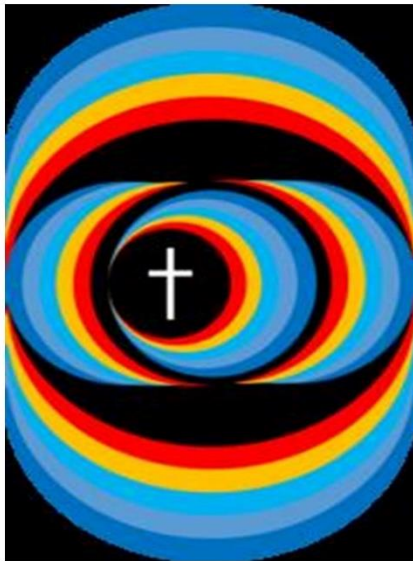


**Hope Fellowship Church:
Life Group Study**

**Session One of Four:
Cultural Forces
October 29, 2017**



**The Inside Out Church:
A disciple-Missional Model**

Welcome & Opening Prayer:

Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you in your time together, in Jesus' name.

Opening Pondering:

Read Colossians 2:8.

Name a few *hollow and deceptive philosophies* that abound in our culture today.

Watch Video:

Cultural Forces Sermon: October 29, 2017.
(if everyone was present for the live message, you may choose to skip watching again)

Pondering Modernity:

Name a few philosophies that exist in the Modern mindset and worldviews as described in the video. Are any of these present in your outlook on life?

Pondering Post-Modernity:

Name the four ways in which post-moderns have *raged against the machine*. Without dwelling on this subject too long, can you identify with any of these sentiments?

Doing Life Together:

Moralistic Therapeutic Deism...

Moralistic – I can decide for myself what to do.

Therapeutic – If it feels good, I am going to do it.

Deism – I decide if there is a god, not God!

Have you seen this quasi-religion mentality present among your friends, within yourself?

What can you do as a Life Group to counter the effects of this hollow philosophy together?

Read Joshua 24:14 to 26. What will you do to symbolize your communal commitment to serve the Lord? (Covenant? Monument?)

Doing Life Outwardly:

Is there someone you know, outside of your group, with whom you could share what you just learned? How might you broach the subject? What might you say?



Prayer:

Ask the Holy Spirit to affirm your deliberations, for the praise and honour of God the Father.