

Study Notes



Culture is the Culprit

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"...our generation died when our fathers' generation was born."

Satan works through structural evils.

Culture defines civilization

- Culture's six characteristics – beliefs, customs, language, arts (music), literature, institutions.
- Christianity is a culture; all 6 characteristics present
- Born – earthly culture; born-again – culture Christianity

Mark 4:3-20

Four types of people – 50% lost to culture

- Culture redefines itself every 6-10 years
- Easiest way to destroy is to redefine

Deuteronomy 6:4-7 – Command to teach children Ten Commandments

- Old Testament Law – schoolmaster; lesson – we are sinners

God's character is eternal – commandments absolute – do not change with culture.

Fathers main responsibility is to teach children Ten Commandments

- Why? For a righteous social structure

Ministry Focus

1. What can you do to ensure people around you are not lost to the temptations of the culture?
2. Do your children know the Ten Commandments? What are you doing to ensure they do?
3. Has culture influenced your Christianity? What can you do to guard against culture's influence on Christianity?