

Aliens & Stranger Things

Part 3- Alternate Reality

Intro/Review

God's people are to live His kingdom in & in front of the world

America ≠ God's country/ancient Israel

Church = God's country; America = Babylon/Egypt

An Alternate Country

Hebrews 11:13-16

a different homeland, not country they came from (USA for us)

we are strangers & exiles

Philippians 3:18-21

Enemies-pursue self-satisfaction
minds set on this world

BUT-our citizenship heaven. From here we await Jesus (wait, what???)

John 18:33-37

A king, but not the way you mean
not in this system

v. 36-kingdom NOT defined: fighting to protect

v. 37-kingdom defined: witness to the truth

What truth? Good News-Gospel (of the kingdom)

God so loved the world....

Even when God comes in power, no one will be forced into the Kingdom-into a relationship with Him

Hell is defined by God's absence, and the absence of ANY relationship

Application

We need to remember where we belong.

This is not home

This is not our country

Our goal is to bring people into His Kingdom

We tend to pursue a good life here, trying to make this a comfortable home.

Our PRIMARY goal: declare, show, present, witness the Truth-make Him known

How much of your life is centered around His Kingdom?

How do you participate in the life of the Kingdom (corporate aka the church)?