

Lecture 8 – Postmodernism D: Consequences II, Part 2

“The crowd spoke up, ‘We have heard from the Law that the Christ will remain forever, so how can you say, ‘The Son of Man must be lifted up’? Who is this ‘Son of Man’?’ Then Jesus told them, ‘You are going to have the light just a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, before darkness overtakes you. The man who walks in the dark does not know where he is going...’” John 13:34-35

“Jesus called them together and said, ‘You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave – just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.’” Matthew 20:25-28

“Everything they do is done for men to see: They make their phylacteries wide and the tassels on their garments long...” Matthew 23:5

Key Terms

Community, authority

Objectives

- *Discuss how the church ought to communicate righteousness in a world that has lost its moral direction.
- *Discuss what community in the church looks like, and how to build it.
- *Examine how the church is to model respect for authority.

D. Consequences II (cont.)

2. The loss of moral direction (cont.)
 - c. Are we communicating in word and life the beauty of righteousness?
3. The loss of relationships/community
 - a. Lack of community in the church is offensive.
 - b. Is there a reality of community in our church?
 - c. Do we welcome postmodern people into our community?
4. The loss of respect for authority
 - a. The claim to authority is offensive.
 - b. Are we cynical about authority?
 - c. What kind of authority are we displaying?

Questions & Answers