



“Different...It’s Ok!”

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Foundation Scripture: Matthew 7:13-14

I. ***II Corinthians 6:14-18***

A. Separate

1. (Greek) *Set Apart, Sever, Different*
2. The world’s system (Satan’s system) is working overtime to try to conform you (be in debt, be sick, be afraid, be unhappy,....in other words, be like everyone else), or...
3. ***Romans 12:1-2 “Be not conformed to this world, but be transformed (changed into something different)...”***

B. It’s ok to be different

1. The world looks down on “different”, but God honors it!
2. ***Different – Not the same as another or each other; unlike in nature, form, or quality. Distinct; separate. (Distinct – recognizably different in nature from something else of a similar type).***

- Acceptance is important to everyone; but your acceptance from God should be the only thing that matters in this world!

II. Are you recognizably different?

A. Being a “Christian” is not enough any more

1. It’s hard to tell the difference in this day and age
2. Remember, God called you to be “sons and daughters”, children of God....Followers of God!

B. ***Attributes of a true follower (what people will say about you)***

1. ***Your talk is different*** (talk like God, calling things that be not...) (this includes your prayers – they should be different also – ***Mark 1:22*** speak with authority)
2. ***Your giving is different*** (tithe and give with purpose) (***II Corinthians 9:6-7***)
3. ***Your love is different*** (you see people through God’s “Agape” love)
4. ***Your steadfastness is different*** (you are the same in church and out)
5. ***Your boldness is different*** (***Acts 4:13***)