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설교제목 (SERMON TITLE):
교회의 이해 V – 영향
(UNDERSTANDING CHURCH V – INFLUENCE)

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Matthew 5:13–16

13 “You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

14 “You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

마태복음 (Matthew 5:13-16)

13 너희는 세상의 소금이니 소금이 만일 그 맛을 잃으면 무엇으로 짜게 하리요 후에는 아무 쓸 데 없어 다만 밖에 버려져 사람에게 밟힐 뿐이니라

14 너희는 세상의 빛이라 산 위에 있는 동네가 숨겨지지 못할 것이요

15 사람이 등불을 켜서 말 아래에 두지 아니하고 등경 위에 두나니 이러므로 집 안 모든 사람에게 비치느니라

16 이같이 너희 빛이 사람 앞에 비치게 하여 그들로 너희 착한 행실을 보고 하늘에 계신 너희 아버지께 영광을 돌리게 하라

**“The church
is a hospital
for sinners,
not a museum
for saints.”**

**— Abigail
VanBuren**

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**"You are
the only
Bible some
unbelievers
will ever
read."**

- John MacArthur

**"God never said
the journey
would be easy,
but He did say
that the arrival
will be
worthwhile."**

- Max Lucado

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Where are We...?

**“To Adam he said,
“Because you ...ate
fruit from the tree
about which
I commanded you,
‘You must not eat
from it,’ “Cursed is
the ground because of
you...” -Ge 3:17-**

**“But you are a chosen
people, a royal
priesthood, a holy
nation, God’s special
possession, that you
may declare the praises
of him who called you
out of darkness into his
wonderful light”**

-1 Pe 2:9-

Impact of Christianity: Man v.s Woman

Non-Christian Practices (Past or Present)

Athenian wife was confined to her quarters when men guests were present

Female babies valued less than male babies

Christian Practices (Past or Present)

Women (Mary and Martha) hosted Jesus in their home

Female and male babies valued equally

Impact of Christianity: Old Customs

Non-Christian Practices	Christian Practices
Suttee (sati): Hindus burning husband's widow in India; practiced for many centuries	Banned in India by the British under Christian influence in 1829
Foot binding of young girls: once common in China for centuries	Christian influence led to China's outlawing female foot binding in 1912

Impact of Christianity: Infanticide

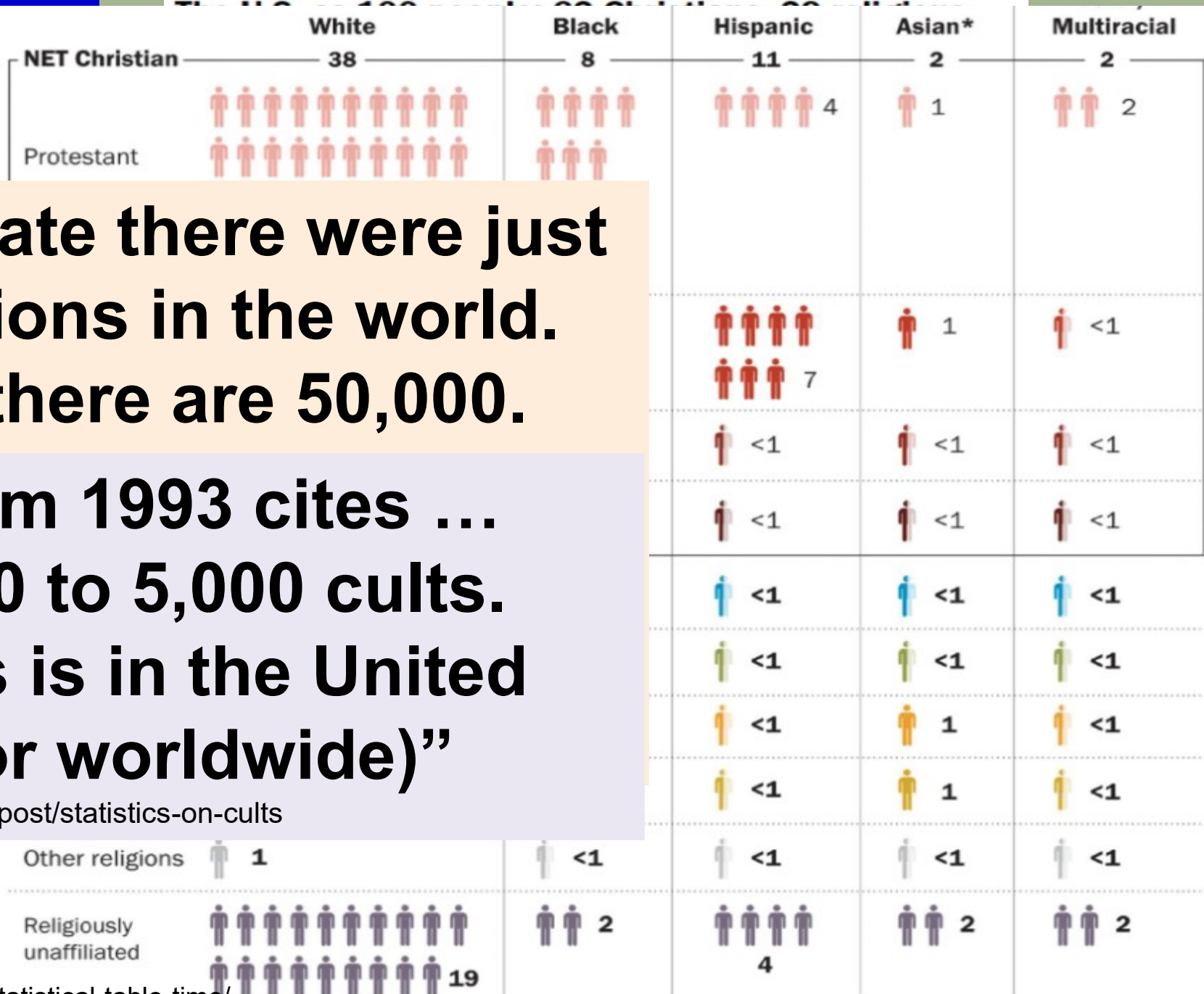
Greco-Roman Culture	Other Cultures	Christianity
Once approved by many pagan philosophers and practiced long before and after Christianity entered	Once approved and practiced in ...China, India, Japan, Brazil, American Indians, Eskimos, African tribes ... <small>Christianity Changed the World</small>	Condemned by Christians whose influence prompted Roman emperors to outlaw ...

Christianity Now.

“In 1900, we estimate there were just 2,000 denominations in the world. Today, in 2025, there are 50,000.

“One article from 1993 cites ... there were 3,000 to 5,000 cults. (...unclear if this is in the United States alone or worldwide)”

peopleleavecults.com/post/statistics-on-cults

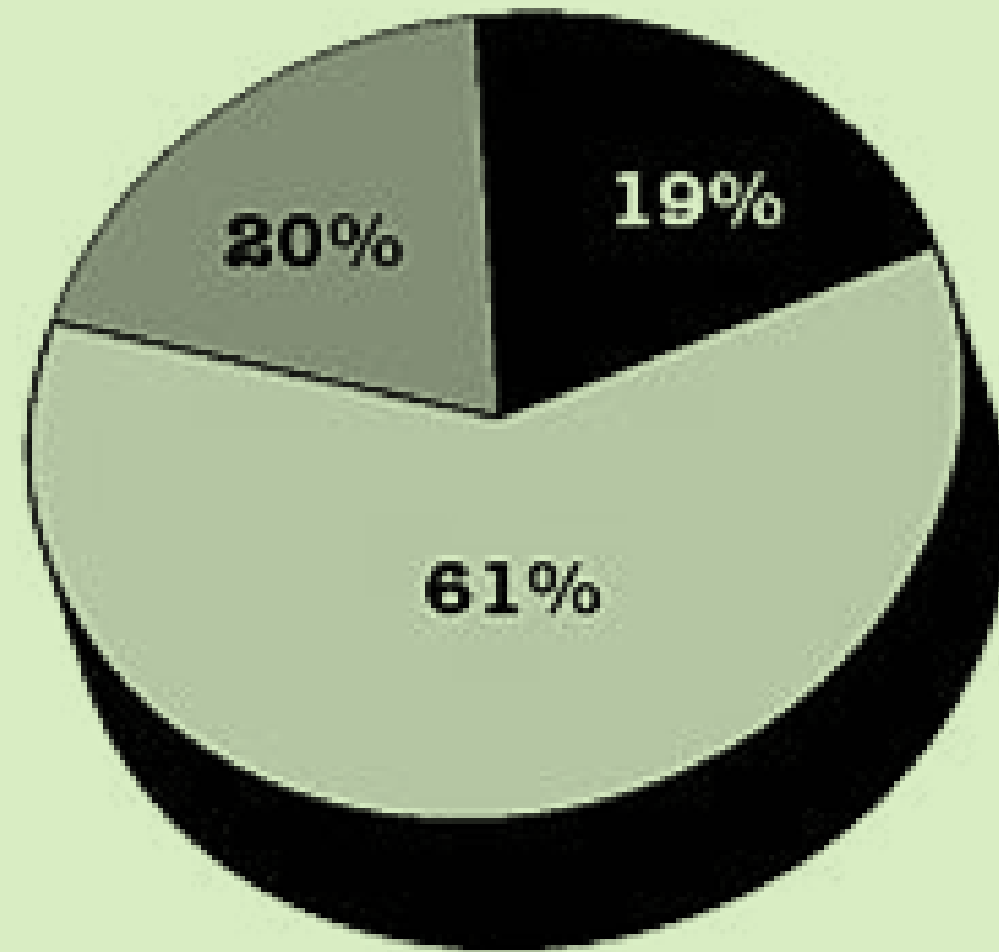


Christianity Now...

“Among 1000 young adults, who left the church, we asked if they believe all accounts and stories in the Bible are true, 44% said No, 38% Yes, 18% don't know. If you don't believe, what made you begin to doubt the Bible?”

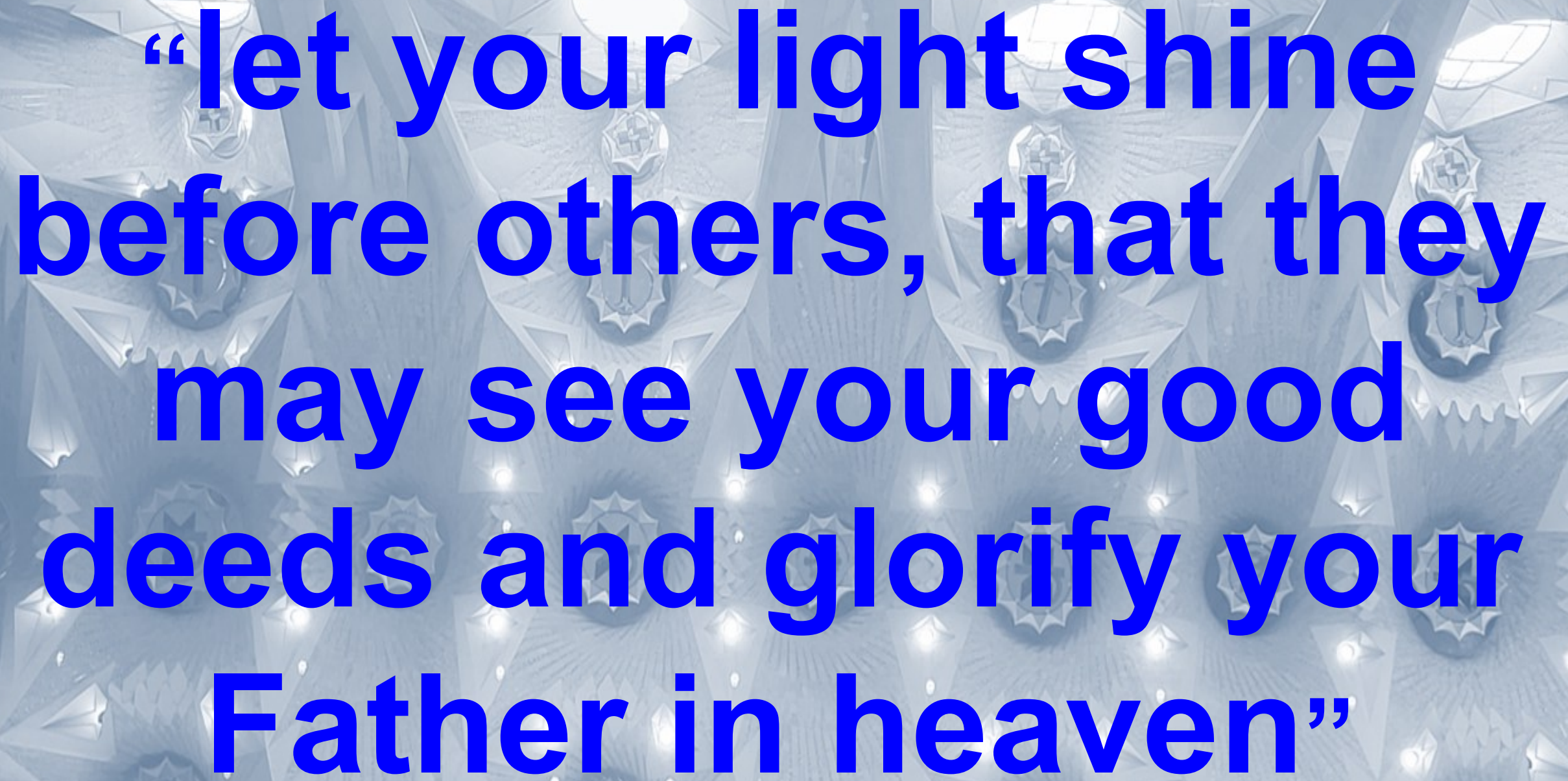
Twenty somethings struggle to stay active in Christian faith.

Church as teen,
spiritually active at
the 29
Church as teen,
engaged during
twenties
Never church as
teen, still
connected



Source: The Barna Group, LTD 2006

Already gone, why your kids will quit church...



**“let your light shine
before others, that they
may see your good
deeds and glorify your
Father in heaven”**

-Matt 5:13–16-