

Number One Question

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I. Introduction.

- A. Text: Mark 10:17.
- B. Students think about sex once in every ten-minute period and death once in every twenty-minute period. Religion outranks sex today.
- C. Religion is popular today.
 - 1. The speaker was able to share Christ on national television.
 - 2. One popular song is Amazing Grace written by a slave trader that was converted and had an impact on the abolition of slavery.
 - 3. People want to know what life is really about.
 - 4. The options are getting less.
 - a. The drug scene destroys.
 - b. The only option left is God.

II. Where there is no God there is only emptiness.

- A. College is a time when you come to discover your own identity.
- B. Jesus said that what comes out of the heart defiles the mind.
 - 1. The heart is wicked.
 - 2. Man is restless until he finds his rest in God.
 - 3. All other problems are just symptoms.
 - 4. We do not seem to have any governing principle ruling our lives.

III. The answer.

- A. We need to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.
 - 1. This does not mean to accept Christianity.
 - 2. This does not mean to accept the church.
 - 3. Come to Jesus Himself through the Bible.

4. Jesus said that He was the only way to God and the embodiment of all truth.

a. Buddha at the end of his life said he was still looking for truth.

b. Jesus said that His is the truth.

5. We need more courage to stand up for Jesus.

B. Christ's answer for us was the cross.

1. This means counting the cost daily.

2. A small number sold out to Jesus Christ could change the world.

3. At some time a commitment must be made to God.

4. Live up to what little you can accept and what you do believe.

C. Jesus can change your life and you can become a new person, which will roll away some of those old burdens and give you a strength to face life anew.

Application questions

1. Why had religion become popular in the time of the speaker? What was the problem?

2. How do you see the problem affecting your culture? How does it affect you?

3. What is the answer to this problem and what does it mean? How will you respond today?
