

The Pastor as Gospel and Cultural Person

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The Culturally Competent Pastor

- Understands the culture
 - 2 Corinthians 10:3-5
 - 2 Corinthians 4:4
 - What are the ideas that are influencing the minds of those we seek to reach?
 - Naturalism
 - Postmodernism
 - Nihilism
 - Existentialism
 - Resources to help you...
 - Bryan Hurlbutt, *Tasty Jesus*
 - Nancy Pearcey, *Total Truth*
 - Steve Wilkens and Mark Sanford, *Hidden Worldviews*
 - Christian Smith, *Souls in Transition* (especially chapter 2)
 - Jean Twenge, *The Narcissism Epidemic*
 - James Sire, *The Universe Next Door*
 - Mars Hill Audio – Ken Myers
 - CT Books and Culture
 - First Things
 - Blog Readers - Newsify
- Engages the culture
 - There is a difference between parroting the culture and critically engaging the culture.
 - QUESTION: What does cultural engagement practically look like in preaching and teaching?

The Gospel Faithful Pastor

- Lives in light of the Gospel
- Beware the mission
 - Ezekiel 33:1–6
 - Acts 20:17–27
 - 2 Timothy 4:1-4
 - 2 Corinthians 4:1-6