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# GOSPEL ACROSS CULTURES



## WEST / GUILT

- ▶ Individualism
- ▶ Rights
- ▶ Law
  
- ▶ Guilt / Innocence



## MIDDLE EAST & ASIA / SHAME

- ▶ Family
- ▶ Community
- ▶ Social Status
  
- ▶ Shame / Honor



## LATIN AMERICA & AFRICA / FEAR

- ▶ Ancestors
- ▶ Spirits
- ▶ Sacrifices
  
- ▶ Fear / Power



## GUILT / INNOCENCE CULTURE

- ▶ Preach that Jesus lived the life we couldn't live and died the death we deserved to die to cover our sins, and now our guilt is gone.
- ▶ *"In Him we have redemption through through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace..." - Ephesians 1:7*

## SHAME / HONOR CULTURE

- ▶ Preach the prodigal son. God, through Christ, has restored our honor and we've been adopted into a royal family as children of God.
- ▶ "He predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will..." - Ephesians 1:5
- ▶ "...having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints..." - Ephesians 1:18

## FEAR / POWER CULTURE

- ▶ Preach the miracles of Jesus. Jesus is all powerful and gives authority to those who give him allegiance.
- ▶ "...and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come." - Ephesians 1:19-21