

Seek First Series:  
The Kingdom of God  
February 1, 2026

**What is culture?**

*Culture is a set of beliefs, values, systems, customs, and behaviours that people express individually and as a group within society.*

**Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7)**

1. All types of CULTURES were represented.
2. All types of GROUPS were represented.
3. All types of INDIVIDUALS were represented.
  - a. Generational gaps.
  - b. Monocultural gaps.
  - c. Family gaps.

*Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you.  
(Matthew 6:33)*

**Jesus asks us to seek Him.**

**Jesus invites us to His righteousness.**

**God calls us to be a part of His kingdom culture.**

16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. (John 3:16-17)

## Reflection Questions:

1. What set of cultural standards do you rely on the most? Share those with someone close to you or in a journal.
2. How does Jesus transform culture into a new set of cultural standards?
3. Read Matthew 5-7. Choose ONE practice from the Sermon on the Mount that you can apply to your life this week.

## Welcome to HOME Church

**Thank you for attending HOME Church.** If you are looking for a church to call HOME, feel free to connect with us. Details are on our website at [www.ourhomechurch.ca](http://www.ourhomechurch.ca). OR the welcome card in the seat in front of you.

### Upcoming News + Notes:

- **Hong Kong HOME Group** kicks off Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. For more details, talk to Pastor Paul.
- **Neighbourhood HOME Group** kicks off on Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Sarah or Mary for details.
- **Church Board Nominations** are due next Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>.
- **Church Vision Update** between services in the church basement on February 8<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome.
- **NTS** 4-week prayer guide is available today. Printed copies are available in the foyer. Digital copies are on the website at [www.nighttoshinevancouver.ca](http://www.nighttoshinevancouver.ca).
- **Chinese New Year Potluck Gathering** with Pastor Paul on February 14<sup>th</sup>.
- **Women's Lunar New Year Celebration on February 21<sup>st</sup> from 11am-2pm.** For more information, please contact Barb, Bee Bee, or Sharon. Thank you.
- **Bible Tour: Footsteps of the Ancient Followers of Jesus in Italy.** October 6-16, 2026, with Pastor Andy + Annick. Details on the church app.

**Giving Options at HOME Church.** Our preferred way of giving is through e-transfer debit. You can set this up with your banking platform by giving at [give@ourhomechurch.ca](mailto:give@ourhomechurch.ca). Please make cheques out to "HOME Church". All details are on our website. **Thank you** for your continued generosity and support of HOME Church's mission and vision.

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Thank you for your support during the church renovations.