

# What Makes Christians Unique?

Acts 11:19-26

Introduction:

- A. Christians are unique individuals. (cf. 1 Pet. 2:9).
- B. Church, made of Christians, is unique body. (Eph. 4:4; 1 Cor. 12:20).
- C. Christians need to think about what makes them unique:

Discussion:

## **I. Essential Characteristics That Do Not Make Us Unique.**

- A. Honesty and Sincerity.
  - 1. Christians must have it. (1 Pet. 2:1; Phil. 1:10).
  - 2. Others may have it. (Acts 26:9).
- B. A clear conscience.
  - 1. Christians must have it. (1 Pet. 3:16-17).
  - 2. Others may have it. (Acts 23:1)
- C. Good Moral Conduct.
  - 1. Christians must have it. (Rom. 1:28-32; 1 Cor. 5:9-13; 6:9-11; Gal. 5:19ff).
  - 2. Others may have it. (Acts 10:1-2).
- D. Good Works.
  - 1. Christians must have them. (1 Tim. 5:10; 6:18; Jas. 1:27).
  - 2. Others may have them. (Acts 10:1-2).
- E. Zeal
  - 1. Christians must have it. (Tit. 2:14)
  - 2. Others may have it. (Rom. 10:1).

## **II. One Characteristic That Makes Us Unique: Discipleship.**

- A. Disciple is forgiven - saved. (Matt. 28:18-20; Acts 2:38).
- B. Disciple is totally committed to Christ. (Matt. 28:18-20; Lk 14:33)
- C. Disciple obeys truth of the gospel. (cf. Gal. 5:2).
- D. Disciple worships in spirit and truth. (John 4:24).
- E. Disciple is faithful in all things.

Conclusion:

- A. Do you understand what makes us unique?
- B. Are you striving to maintain that uniqueness?