

Short Answer Series # 16

What should a 21st Century Christian be like?

A 21st Century Christian must know Jesus Christ personally. (John 17v3.) We must be totally in love with, and sold out to Him. He must be the love of our lives (Mark 12v30.), as we are the love of His life. (John 3v16.)

We are the Body of Christ on earth today, the Temple He dwells in. We must behave like it. (1 Corinthians 3v16.)

We must walk before, and for Him, every minute of every day; no matter where we are, who we are with, or what we are doing; holding our light unashamedly high, before the world, to show them the way. (Matthew 5v14-16.)

We must have a genuine love and concern for all who do not know Jesus Christ personally. (1 Corinthians chap 13.)

We must always be ready to give an account of the hope that is within us, (1 Peter 3v15.), impartial to all, regardless of their status in life, their like or dislike of us personally, their religion, race, or colour. (Matthew 5v46.)

We must always 'Speak the Truth in love,' (Ephesians 4v15.) because the 'Wrath of man does not work the righteousness of God.' (James 1v20.)

We must always forgive completely. (Matthew 6v14.) 'Avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is Mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.' (Romans 12v19.)

Spiritually - we must be in close intimate communion with the Lord, being led personally by His Spirit. (Romans 8v14.)

Scripturally - we must be equipped to defend the Faith with the Sword of the Spirit, the Sword, the Scriptures. (Ephesians 6v17.)

Morally - we must be absolutely clean, before God and man (1 Thessalonians 4 v3-7), living a life of holiness and purity. (Hebrews 12v14.)

Physically - we must live a life of righteousness, doing everything to the Glory of God. (Romans 10v31.)

We must always be watching, and ready, for the return of our Lord Jesus for us. (Mark 13v34-37.)

We must attend fellowship, to learn the way of God. (Hebrews 10v25.)

We must remember that Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. (John 14v6.) He is the Vine, we are the branches. It is His Life that flows through us, giving us Spiritual life. Without Him we can do nothing. (John 15v4-5.) And, it is God who works in us (through us), both to will and do of His good pleasure. (Philippians 2v13.)

Jesus Christ is the Bread of life to satisfy Spiritual hunger. (John 6v35.) We must lead people to Him. Not a Church. Not the Bible. Not a religion. He is the only One who can help the Spiritually starving, and satisfy their needs.