

***Christians are NOT
“of this world”***

“In” but not “of”

Jn 17:11,14-17 ...vv20-21

“world”

- earth & its inhabitants **v5**
- people, esp. **unbelievers vv14,21**

“world” (unbelievers) may assault believer

- Persecution **Jn 16:32-33**
- False ideas **1Jn 4:1f**
- Lust, greed, pride **1Jn 2:16**

They, nor we, exempted! **Jn 17:15**

Not “of the world” - concepts,
character, conduct

- Norms of society **Eph 2:1-2**
- Family traditions, culture **1Pt 1:18**
- Lifelong habits **1Pt 4:3**

What sets them apart?

Truth of the gospel! **Jn 17:17**

***Christians should DESIRE
to be NOT
“of the world”***

- Rom 12:1,2 “Therefore...” 11:30-32
- 1Co 6:20 “for..therefore...”
- Eph 4:1 “Therefore...” chps 1-3
- 1Pt 1:14f...18 “knowing that...”

***Christians CAN be not
“of the world”***

I Jn 5:4,5

I Jn 2:15-17