

OUT OF THIS WORLD

SCRIPTURE:

I have given them your word; and the world has hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I do not ask you to take them out of the world, but to keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world even as I am not of the world (John 17: 14-16).

MATERIALS LIST:

(1) Wench

SONG: "This World Is Not My Home"

MAIN MESSAGE:

It is easy to forget sometimes that we don't belong here. We must remember that we don't belong here and that we need to be continuously pulling ourselves out of the world.

LESSON:

The great thing about a wench is that you can go places that you normally would not go. If you get stuck you just pull your wench line out to hook on to something that is strong enough to hold the weight and wench up. This will pull you out of where ever you're stuck. It's a very effective tool to have when you need it and is almost always reliable.

One thing that we have to realize when going through this life is that having a relationship with God doesn't mean we can act any way we want. In order to follow Christ, we must not be of this world. Repentance must be our first response when we sin, and we have got to be dedicated to following the teachings found within the Bible. It is not always easy, but it can be done. We can't afford to get stuck in a rut where we may fall away from Christ. We can't afford to make decisions that may have a bad effect on ourselves and our families. The right decisions have to be made and they need to be made now.

So how do we pull ourselves out of the world?

- Read and Study the Word
- Live the Word
- Love God
- Pray all the time, by yourself, with your spouse and with your children/grandchildren
- Stop living for self and live for God

Let's make our stance today that we are going to pull ourselves out of this world and everyone that we can take with us. Let's live courageously for Him!

PRAYER: Make us men and women after Your own heart. Help us to be for You and not of this world.