

Oceanside Connect Group Outline

Week of October 9th, 2016



Key Scripture:

Ephesians 4:14 (ESV)

¹⁴ so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.

Hebrews 13:7 (ESV)

⁷ Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith.

Jude 18–21 (ESV)

¹⁸ [...]“In the last time there will be scoffers, following their own ungodly passions.” ¹⁹ It is these who cause divisions, worldly people, devoid of the Spirit. ²⁰ But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, ²¹ keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life.

Discussion Questions:

In how many ways has information delivery evolved since the year 1916? Which were most groundbreaking to your grandparents? Which have been most revolutionary in your life?

If you were to think about the last year, in how many of these ways have you received Christian teaching?

Have you ever stopped listening to or reading a teaching because you disagreed with it? Why did you stop?

Mark said “a ship without any forward movement loses all directional control”. Do you see a parallel with this and forward Christian growth? If faith has a direction & destination what should they be?

In Hebrews 13:7 what does it mean to “*consider the outcome of [your leaders] way of life*”? What hallmarks in leadership do you look for?

Why did you choose to be under the leadership at Oceanside?

Hebrews 13:7 also instructs us to “imitate their faith”. What has that looked like in your life? What areas do you feel challenged in?

God has given to us leadership to cover us which are defined in Ephesians 4:11. If this leadership is going to guide, teach & protect the church how must we as individuals respond to these leaders?

Knowing that we shouldn't let this fear of incorrect teaching consume us in itself. List the positive ways that we can protect ourselves from incorrect teaching? Read Jude 18-21.

