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### Let's begin where we agree:

1. We live right now and right here among many different cultural viewpoints.
2. We do not live in a world that shares only one cultural viewpoint.
3. Therefore we are living right here and right now in a multi-cultural world.

"Recent and dramatic shifts within our culture, like those that have taken place over the past few decades in the USA, reveal a dramatic shift in everyone's worldview.

**Definition of Culture.** The sum of attitudes, customs, and beliefs that distinguishes one group of people from another.

### Each culture has its blind spots.

**Each Christian has their blind spots.**

### Overcoming blind spots requires Binocular Vision

Binocular vision: The ability to maintain visual focus on an object with both eyes, creating a single visual image.

**We each view the world from our own personal perspective – we call that our "worldview".**

### Perception is what you see...Perspective is what you think you see.

Common Mistakes Christians make when confronted with Cultural Confusion

1. Christians tend to "Draw the Line".  
Problem – When we draw a line in the sand; we leave people on the other side.
2. Christians tend to believe we are here to win the culture over.  
Problem – We aren't here to win over the culture; we're here to win others to Jesus' Culture.



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