



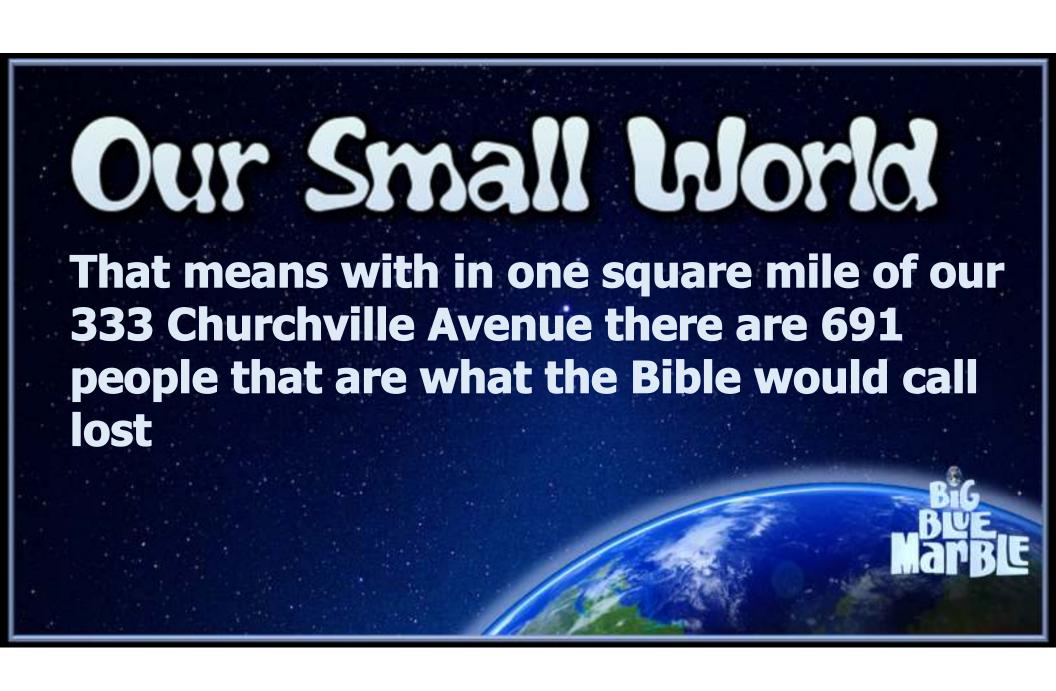
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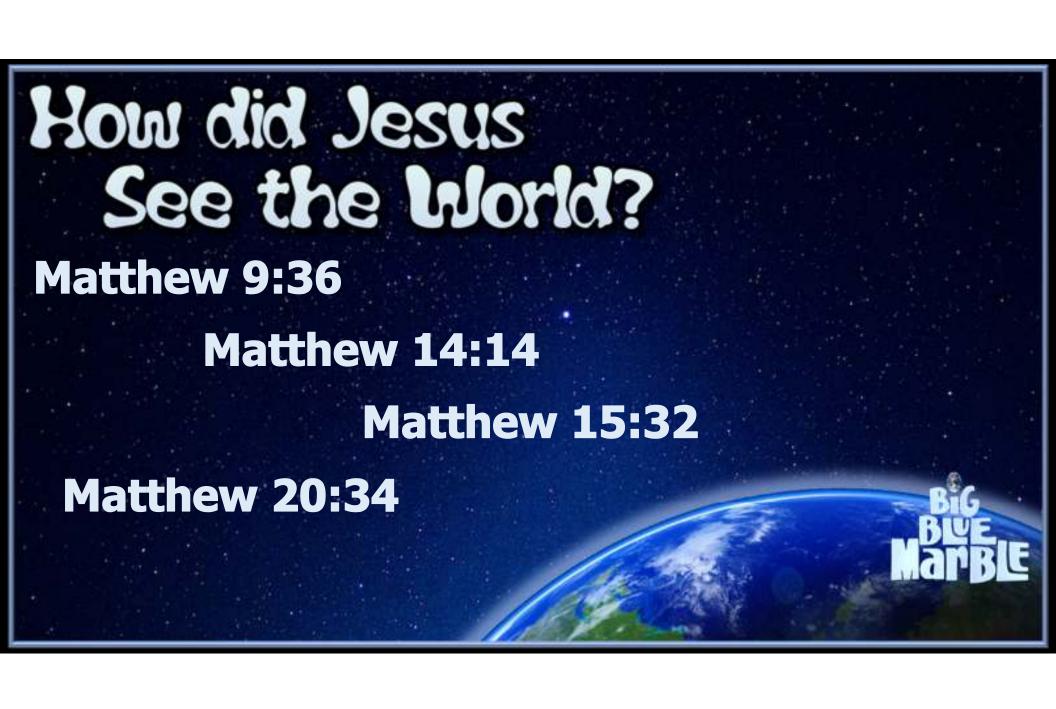
100% of people will someday die

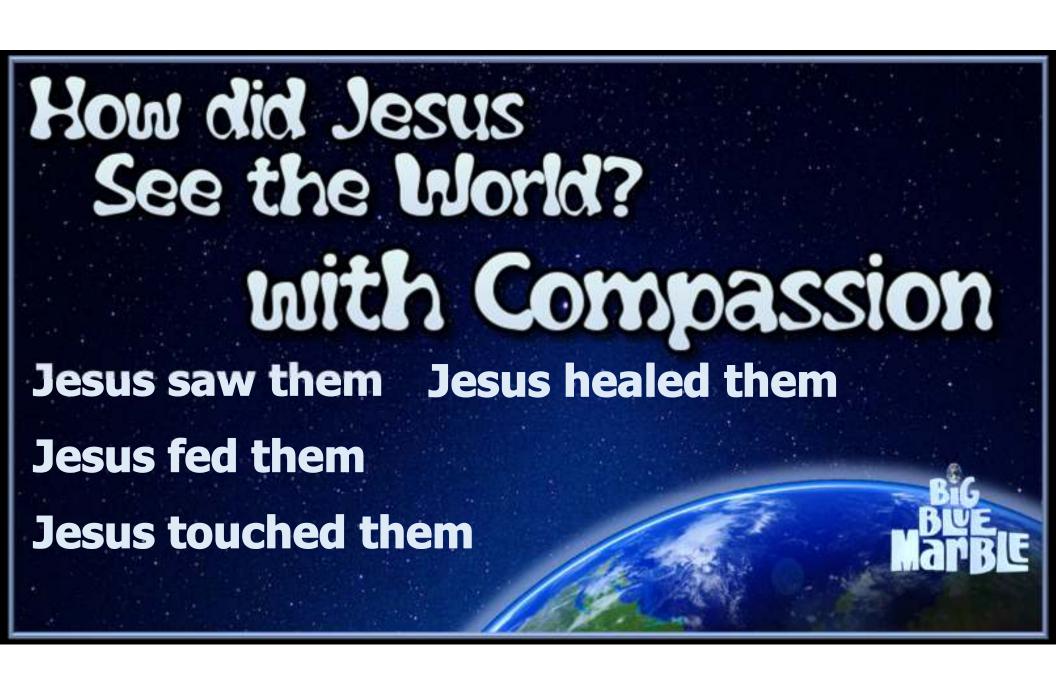
100% of people that die without a relationship with Jesus will spend eternity separated from God

No Exceptions











Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."

Mark 8:34

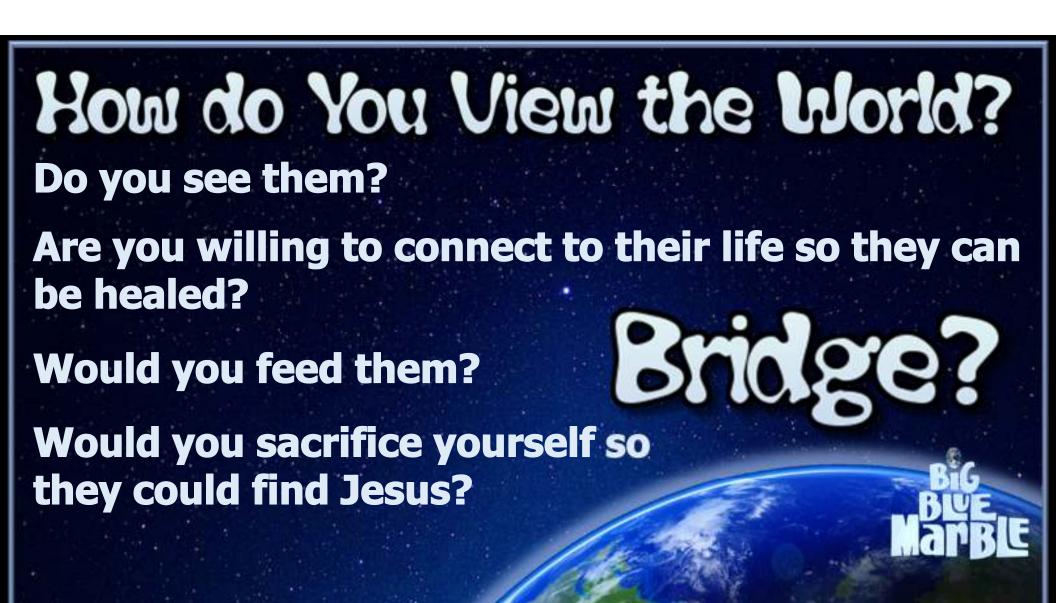




When Jesus saw the world, he did not build a bridge to them, he became the bridge for them

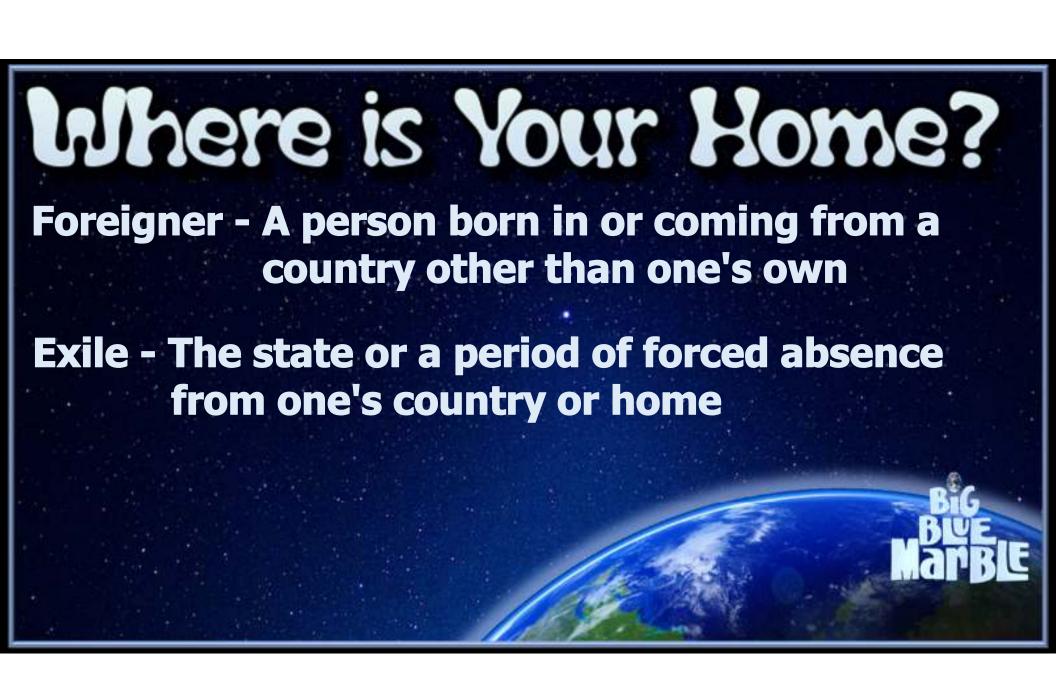
He did so by giving his life on the cross





## Becoming a Bridge 1 Peter 2:11 to the World

Dear friends, I urge you, as foreigners and exiles, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul. Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.





John 17: They are not of the world, even as I am not of it.

Philippians 3:18-20: Citizens of Heaven

1 Peter 2:11: Foreigners and Exiles

1 John 2:15-17: We are told it can be the focal point of our "love"



Peter acknowledges the inner battle is us that just is not going to go away

**Abstain -- Restrain oneself from doing or enjoying something** 

From sinful desires

The focus must be on changing your desires.

It Will not be Easy





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Live such good lives among the pagans

The focus is not that we are to live "good" lives, it is the "among the pagans."

You are here on purpose and for a purpose (Matthew 5:13-16)



Peter says they are going to accuse you.

Remember Jesus says they are going to hate you.

He says they may even want to kill you.

Peter tells us they are going to try to convince us we are wrong

Just Keep Living It!





They may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us

Peter is absolutely talking about the second coming of Jesus

However, he says the "pagans" that were our accusers would be Glorifying God

Until you understand they walked across the bridge.

