

Forgiving made Practical

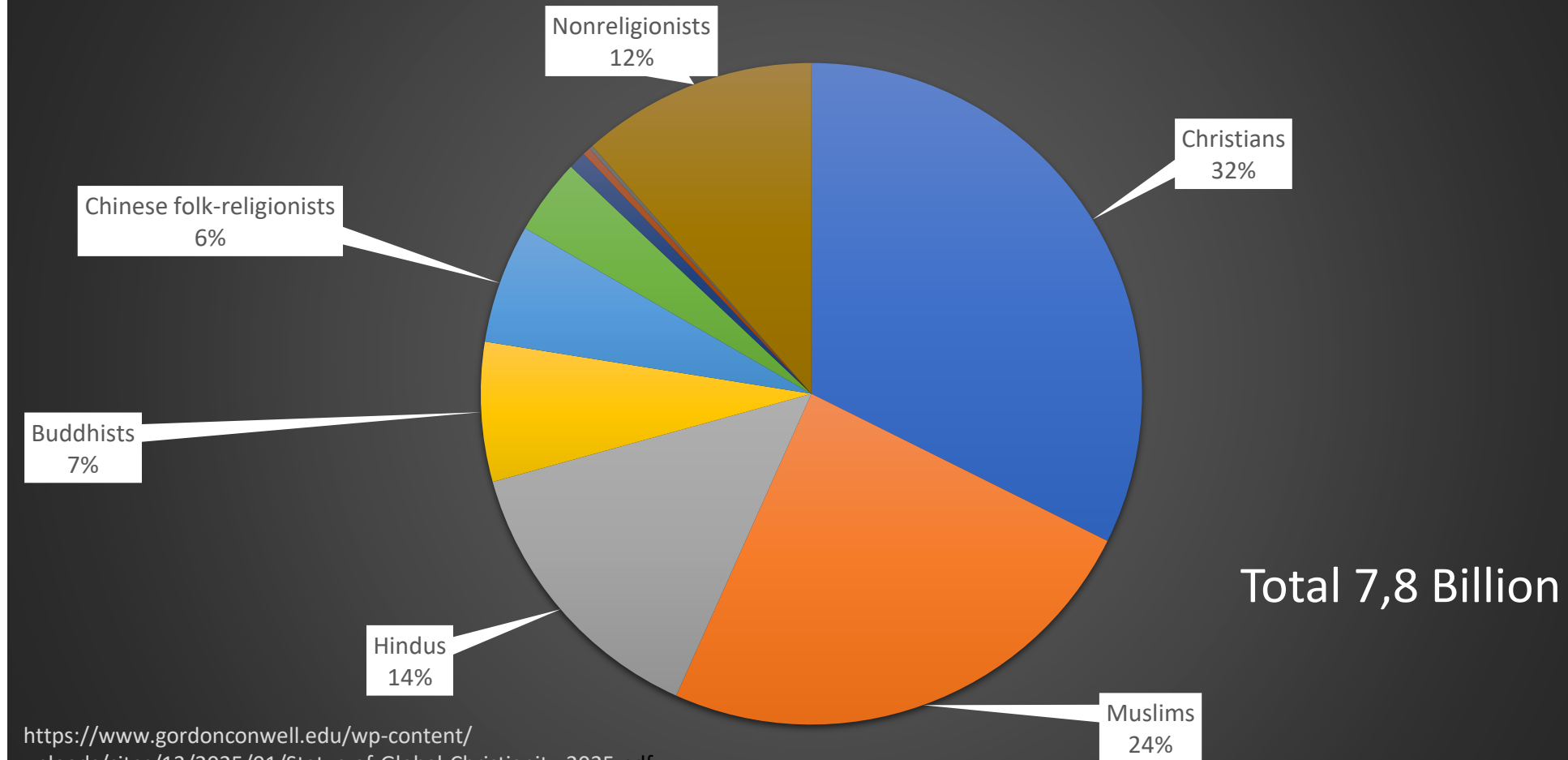
John 21:1-17

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A third of the World Population!

World Population by Religion 2020



The book of Acts

- Describes the beginning of the movement
- From Jerusalem to Rome
- Peter was the leader from the start
- Paul took the gospel beyond Judaism
- (with Peter's consent)

Simon Peter

- Passionate
 - Impulsive
 - Radical
 - Total
 - Devoted
 - Leader
- He had seen Jesus at work
 - You are the Messiah!
 - Upon this Rock...

Peter could not accept Jesus' Death

- “Never Lord, this shall never happen to you!” (Mt 16)
- “Even if all fall away on account of you, I never will.” (Mt 26)
- “I don't know the man!” (Mt 26)
- And he went outside and wept bitterly. (Mt 26)

Peter goes fishing

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- Dives in to meet the Lord
- A sense of Awe

Do you love me?

- Do you Love me, more than the others?
 - Yes, You know I am your friend
- Do you Love me?
 - Yes, You know I am your friend
- Are you my friend?
 - Yes, You know I am your friend

What about us?

- We are invited to follow Jesus' example

- In All our Relationships

- Forgiving in Society

- Forgiving in the Church

- Forgiving in Marriage

- (You also need forgiveness btw)

What about us?

- There is forgiveness for you
 - No matter how bad
- We should forgive
 - Even if I am the victim
 - Even if I am not asked
- We receive resurrection power

Forgive us our debts
Forgive us our trespasses

As we forgive our debtors
As we forgive those who trespass against us

(Prayer Team can help with that)



Marriage

- Photos
- Highs & Lows
- Pressures / struggles / fights
- The best thing that ever happened to me
- Counter cultural
- Happened in community
- Guitar – Love song

Working together as a Team

- Pressures of Life

- Work
- Children
- Money
- Family
- Church
- Accidents
- Health
- Loss

- Effects

- Feeling unloved
- No time for each other
- Vitamin L deficiency
- Escape?
 - Work
 - Substances
 - Internet
 - Books

Marriage = Adjustment

- High Expectations
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- Cultural assumptions
- Behaviour patterns
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and they will be as one...

Genesis 2:24

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The art of marriage is ...

...to love the stranger you find yourself married to.
Tim Keller. The meaning of marriage

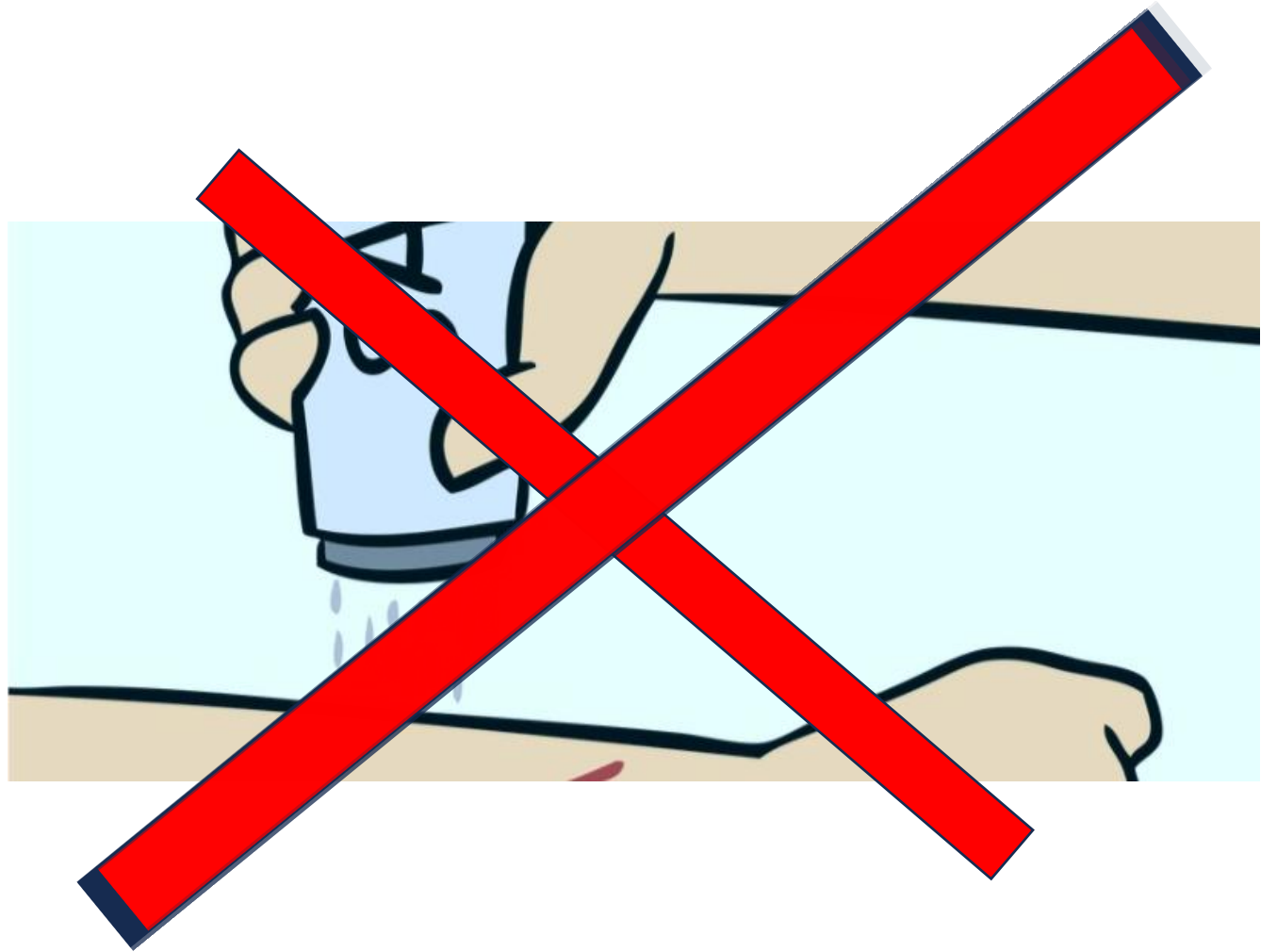
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for each other

MAKE TIME

for God

Accepting Me





