

MOBILISING KINGDOM LIVING

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“Keeping Up The Pace”



"If the plain sense makes sense, don't add any other sense, lest you wind up with nonsense."

Recognising Coldness Of Heart

1. Because everybody else is like it.

Hebrews 10:24-25

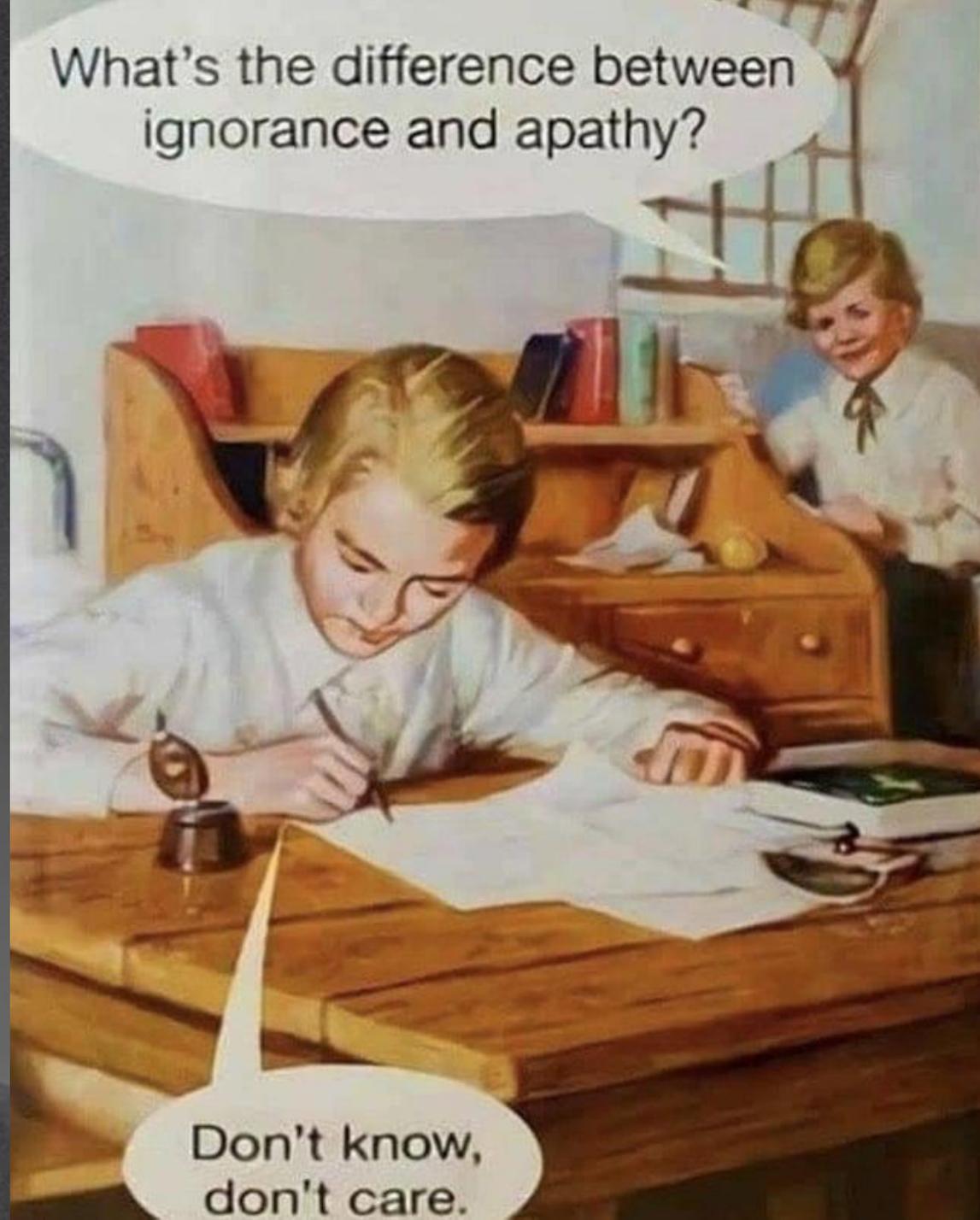
2. Because we have lost our spiritual discernment.

Hebrews 5:11-14

3. Because we are just too complacent.

Revelation 3:15-17

What's the difference between
ignorance and apathy?



Don't know,
don't care.



Revelation 3:15 -15

“I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I could wish you were cold or hot. So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither old nor hot, I will vomit you out of My mouth”.

Ephesians 3:10-11 NKJV

‘the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly *places*,¹¹ according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord’

mystērion (μυστήριον) in Ephesians

1. Eph 1:9-11 - God's purposes come together to fulfil His will in Christ, both in heaven and on earth in Christ;

2. Eph 2:11-3:9 - Gentiles being included/grafted in as coheirs and members of the same body with Jewish believers;

3. Eph 5:30–32 - Sometimes called 'The great *mystērion*' This represents the union of Christ and His church forming one flesh.

Ephesians 3:14-19 - NKJV

¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, ¹⁶ that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, ¹⁷ that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may be able to comprehend with all the saints what *is* the width and length and depth and height— ¹⁹ to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

“image of the Almighty shining in the soul of man, it is a real participation of his nature, it is a beam of the eternal light, a drop of that infinite ocean of goodness; and they who are endowed with it may be said to have God dwelling in their souls, and Christ formed within them.”

Henry Scougal

Ephesians 3:20-21 - NKJV

Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever.
Amen.

1. What strategies do you have in your life to ensure you 'keep up the pace'?
2. How do we encourage those who seem to be struggling with their walk?
3. What scriptures can you think of that might encourage someone in this area?

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