

# What do we do?

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Thank you so much for choosing to worship with us today! We are thrilled you are here!

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*For the first time "No Religion" has topped a survey of Americans' religious identity, according to a new analysis by a political scientist. The non-religious edged out Catholics and evangelicals in the long-running General Social Survey.*

*Ryan Burge, a political scientist at Eastern Illinois University and a Baptist pastor, found that 23.1% of Americans now claim no religion.*

*Catholics came in at 23.0%, and evangelicals were at 22.5%.*

*The three groups remain within the margin of error of each other though, making it a statistical tie. Over 2,000 people were interviewed in person for the survey.*

*"Religious nones," as they are called by researchers, are a diverse group made up of atheists, agnostics, the spiritual, and those who are no specific organized religion in particular. A rejection of organized religion is the common thread they share.*

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The questions are – What do we do? Is this significant? How important is this to our preaching of Jesus? Do we need to change our approach? Do we need to examine our view of “church”? Do we need to focus more on Jesus and less on our religious heritage? Has our approach become too institutional? Should we focus more on growing the kingdom and less on preserving “our church?”

There are more questions and would love to know your opinion!

All Things for Christ,  
Michael