

Did You Know Reno is Farther West Than Los Angeles?

Matthew 16:5-11

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It is a geographical fact that Reno, Nevada is farther west than Los Angeles, California. I know such a fact ought not to be true. I know it just isn't right for such things to be true! But it is right! Our perceptions can easily become realities, even when they are not. This lesson will seek to explore the implications of incorrect perceptions and feelings and see how we might avoid them.

Seeds for Further Consideration—It May Not be What You Think!

- Jeremiah 10:23
- Proverbs 14:12
- Luke 9:23
- Matthew 16:5-11
- Mark 7:1-23
- Religious divisions
- Personal conflicts

How About...?

- Programs—Putting the Cart Before the Horse (Neh. 2:20; 6:7).
- Commitment—Christ as the Focus of Life, not Us (Phil. 1:21-26).
- Knowledge—Transformation is God's Purpose, not Information Rom. 8:29).
- Evangelism—Seamless Interaction is the way of Jesus (Col. 4:5-6).
- Family—Time Spent with Brethren and Others cannot be Mailed in (Heb. 10:24-25; Jn. 18:19-21).

We can easily think things are differently than they reality are. Traditions, ruts, drifting, lack of committed, consistent focus, and many other things can get us into patterns of thinking that seem quite acceptable and expedient when they are not. Let's remember to check the standard and be sure we are correct in our choices.