



Spot Light on the KNIGHTS

-Romans 13:12

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The "In" Group: Invite Them In

There is something about being in the "IN" crowd. There is a sense of belonging. There is a sense of importance. There is a sense of value and meaning. There is a sense of security. Being in the "In" crowd has perks. It is defining "IN" that is important. Secular culture lives in the realm of subjectivity. So the "IN" crowd today may certainly be different tomorrow. Using the secular rules to define "IN" will offer very little in terms of actual belonging, importance, value, meaning, and/or security. If there was a gold standard for "IN," then we may have actual belonging, importance, value, meaning, and security.

Romans 8: 38-39 can help us define "IN." *"For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is **IN** Christ Jesus our Lord."* This is the crowd that we should seek to be "**IN**." This is the "**IN**" crowd that will provide belonging, importance, value, meaning, and security, and more importantly: Forgiveness and Salvation.

However, I will argue that the more important part of the "IN" crowd according to Romans 8 is not the "IN" at all. It is "Christ." It is only Christ that removes the subjectivity. Christ is objective, historic, and transformative. It is only "**IN CHRIST**" that we can obtain all that we could ever need and certainly more than we can even imagine – Eph 3:20. We are not guaranteed any degree of success outside of Christ. So it is not just any crowd that will do. It is only the crowd of Christ = Church. What an amazing gift to know where to find the "**IN Crowd**"! It is "**IN**" Church that we learn of the Grace that makes this all a reality. At MLHS we stand as an extension of the Church to assist in the teaching of the Gospel.

Stand with us as part of the In Crowd! Merry Christmas!

Come Lord Jesus, Amen!

Paul Steinhaus, Principal

**Just as the star guided
the wisemen to Jesus,
Christian education
guides teens to follow Jesus.**



**We praise God for His 40 years
of blessings and guidance.
May we all continue to be guided
by the One Bright Star.**

Merry Christmas from your MLHS Family!