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## Living as Foreigners

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**How Can We Live as Foreigners?**

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THEOLOGY

# Populism vs. Progressivism: Who Knows Best?

Opposing types of knowledge are at the heart of today's polarization. How does a Christian decide?

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“The emergence of two rival visions of the world...One attracts those receptive to the restoration of national greatness, the importance of groups over individuals, and the conservation of the past. The other pulls on those receptive to a starkly individualistic future, unhitched from the obligations of the past, and bound, instead, to the notion of progress. Crucially, each of these cultural forces also repels those who prove unreceptive to it...For this reason, our cultural commentators now talk of ‘Two Americas’.”

- James Eglinton, *Populism vs. Progressivism*

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Resident Aliens

## How Do We Live as Foreigners & Exiles?

“The oneness of God implies God's universality, and universality entails transcendence with respect to any given culture...Christians can never be first of all Asians or Americans, Croatians, Russians, or Tutsis, and then Christians. At the very core of Christian identity lies an all encompassing change of loyalty, from a

given culture with its gods to the God of all cultures. A response to a call from that God entails rearrangement of a whole network of allegiances...Departure is part and parcel of Christian identity.”

- Miroslav Volf, *Exclusion and Embrace*

## **How Do We Know We Are Living as Foreigners?**

### **1 Peter 2:11-12**

Dear friends, I urge you, as foreigners and exiles, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul. Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.

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