

Campus Culture vs and Church Culture

When a missionary leaves his home culture and goes to a new culture, he must realize that the way things are done there are not wrong|| but simply different. This same attitude can make the transition from the campus culture to the church culture much smoother and more effective.

The following list illustrates some aspects in which the local church is different (not wrong) from the campus ministry. Gaining an understanding of these elements will bring a new perspective and appreciation for God 's bride, the Church.

Church Ministry Culture

Established Structures

Heterogeneous Make-up

Community Oriented

Broad Purpose/Focus

Long-Term Involvement

“Hidden” Commitment

Low Momentum

Less Accountability

Campus Ministry Culture

Few Established Structures

Homogeneous Make-up

Target Oriented

Narrow Purpose/Focus

Short-Term Involvement

Visible, High Commitment

High Momentum

Much Accountability