

The Spiritual State of Kansas City

Summer 2017 Survey

Part 2

Report: October 24, 2017



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Methodology

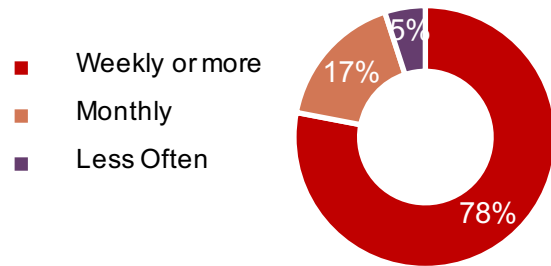
Church-based surveys

- ❑ Churches recruited by ABS mobilizers
 - May include Catholic, Non-mainline and/or Mainline denominations
 - *Not intended to be representative of all church-goers in a given city*
- ❑ Voluntary participation via online or paper survey, July & August 2017

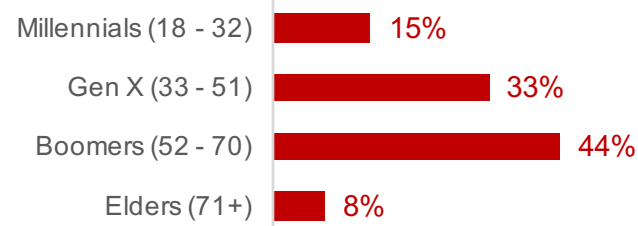
Profile of church participants

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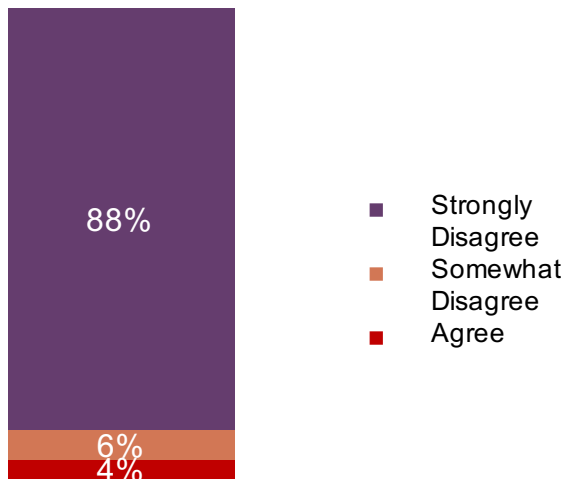
Church Attendance



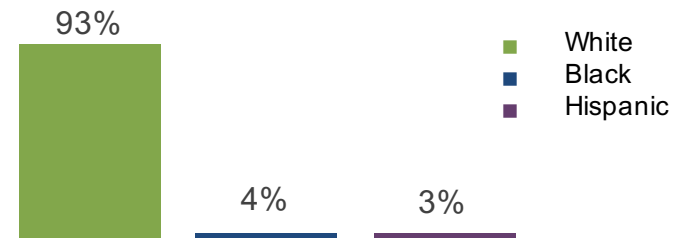
Generations



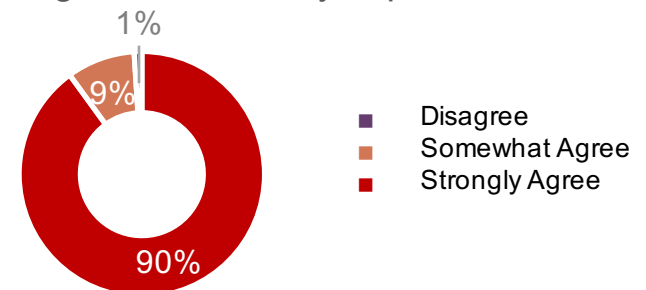
Currently sampling Christianity along with other religions



Ethnicity (multi-select)



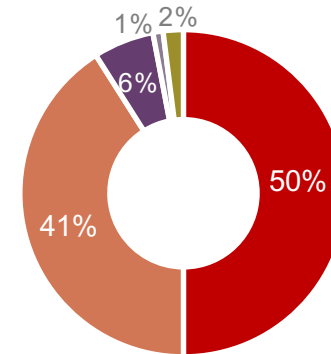
Religious faith – very important



Beliefs about the Bible

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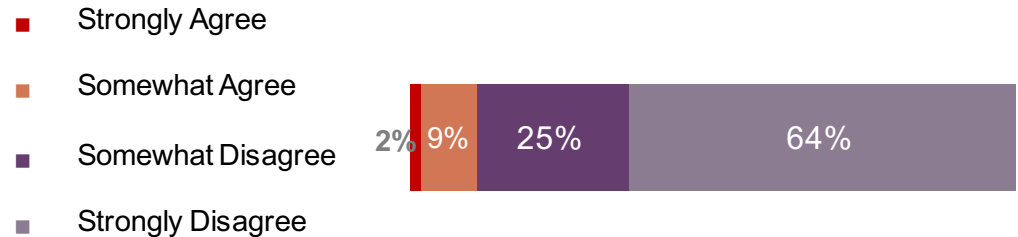
- It is the word of God and should be taken literally
- It is the word of God and some verses are symbolic
- It is the inspired word of God but has some factual or historical errors
- It was not inspired by God but tells how the writers understood God
- Other



The Bible contains everything a person needs to know to live a meaningful life



The Bible can only be correctly interpreted by people who have years of intense training in theology



All scripture must be read with some kind of guidance to understand what it really means



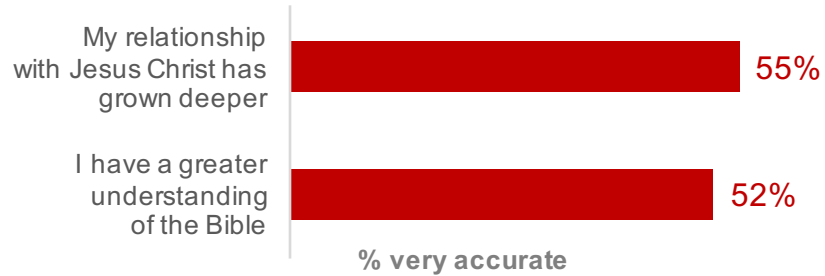
The Bible is totally accurate in all of the principles it teaches



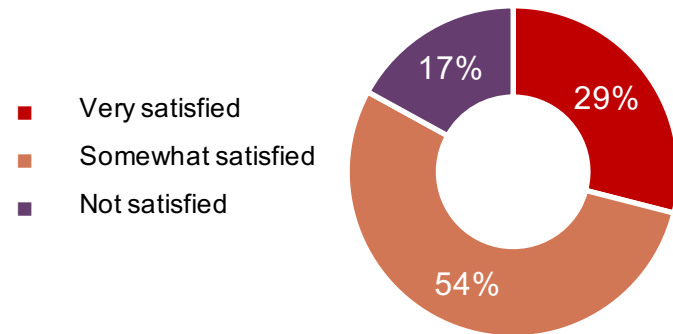
Engagement with the Bible / Spiritual condition

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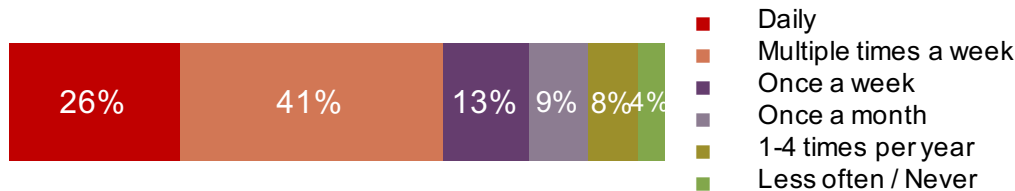
Compared to 1 year ago...



How satisfied are you with your current level of spiritual growth?



How often do you read the Bible?



Has your own personal use of the Bible changed over the past year?

- Yes, it has increased
- Yes, it has decreased
- No, it has stayed the same

How often do you memorize scripture?

