

**Eastbrook Church Nations Ministry  
Cultural World Views**

Biblical	Themes	American	Russian	African	Korean	Chinese	Indian	Middle Eastern	Latino	European Mostly German
Love, Holy Honesty & respect	Relationships	Concern of Individual independent	Community	Community "I belong therefore I am"	Family, school, hometown interest	Key to everything	Family oriented	Community Oriented, dependence	Important Community	Polite, formal, slow & long lasting Non-aggressive
People	Values	Doing Showing results	Soul, inner world	Sense of shame	Being	Traditional	Spirituals	Being, emphasis on Quality	Traditional	Performance Egalitarian values Liberal morally
Eternity with or without God	Future	Highly organized Strategic planning	What will be will be	Life after death	It depends on religion	Think about today	Karma Goal oriented	Fate, unstructured	Relative to family	Security, sects, foreigners, concern for safety, global orientation
Faithfulness	Business	Task Oriented Competitive	Developing-slow process-many barriers, rubber stamp important, red tape prevalent	Mixed Varies	Relationship	Relationships	Competitive exclusive	Cooperative	Less formal	Academics, power, money Non-competitive
Image of God	Family	Distant Disconnected	Close	Extended nuclear	Close connected	The foundation	Well connected	Rooted Connected	Important Extensive	Private Strong bonds interpersonal
Respected Submission Melting pot	Authority	Equal Democratic	Mother strong	Great respect for authority	Hierarchy Changing	Father & mother	Class based	Hierarchy dominant	Serious, respected	Hierarchy thru professional position, education, money, neutral
Unity	(Sex) Gender Roles	Diversity, struggle	Woman dominant	Strict gender roles	Separated Changing	Distinctive roles	Male dominated	Conservative Structured	Male dominant	Non-emotional treat everyone the same, couples cohabitation
Our treasure is in heaven	Money	idol Dominate Resource to achieve dreams	Rich/poor contrast	Irony: rich but impoverished	Pursuing Capitalized	Very important	Extremes polarized Either on one side or the other	Control, position	Important	Not a priority
Kingdom of God	Priority	Technological Materialism Paying my bills	Being	Distant or remote	Doing & being mixed	Business education doing	Family goals	Develop friendship, spiritualism	Family, education	Safety, protection
God speaks thru it	History	Influence on decision	Very rich powerful country	Linear sense of history	Proud	5000 years	Ancient Rich	Proud, strong influence on decision	Important, emphasis on our roots	Unsure about national identity -(3 <sup>rd</sup> Reich)
Law	Religion	Individual Freedom of Choice	Mainly orthodox Christian	Many African traditional religions Islam, Christianity	Family interest	Nothing	All inclusive	Society choice integrated	Central, Important	State church ok Free churches suspicious
Blood of Jesus Repentance	Conflict Solved	Agencies courts	Still going on	By elders negotiation consultation	Family Agency	Silence or anger	Family intervention	Tribes, families cliques	Silence, anger	Strike first, hit hard, dig deep
Word of God	Food / Customs	Fast Meeting place	Abundant, rich tables, vodka important to many	Diverse rice, vegetables	Well developed variety	Rice, noodles, pork	Spicy Hot	Variety, hospitable, generous	Traditional Gathering w/family	Welfare state government provides
Others around me humility	Concerns	Career perfect the law of freedom Growing old	Family	Day to day survival	Job academic History	Money relationships	Future Family values	Reputation Protect my dignity, my society	Education of women, present, today	American overpower "big brother is watching you" protection of information
Growth in knowledge maturity	Change	Growth oriented progress	Huge social changes	More concern with keeping traditions	Tradition Growth	Slowly traditional	Easily adaptable, traditional	Tradition, consistency	Slow, difficult	Not uncommon to change
Wisdom	Age	Emphasis power children & youthfulness	Birthday important	Elders respected children conform	Emphasis on senior changing	On elderly	Elders esteemed	Emphasis on courtesy, seniors & elders	Respect Elder	Emphasis on professionalism & social status
Everything has its time Patience, God's timing Wait on God	Time	Valued Respected Time oriented	Not valued	Value people more than time	Relationship oriented	Step by step	Plus/minus 50 minutes	Neglected Not respected Event oriented	Relaxed, casual	respected
Church community	Observation recognition	Proud people superficial	Personal recommendation	Syncretistic	Overall	Mix	Multicultural	Overall - plural	Personal, reputation in name, our word	Person's title
Important	Communication	Direct, request or demand what they want	Trusting takes a lot of time	Indirect Proverbs etc..	Indirect	Indirect	Non-verbal, cultural	Indirect Beat around the bush	Direct	Formal
God's goal	Friendships	Casual	Deep but slow to develop	Value friendships & relationships	important	Slowly build trust	Deep rooted	Necessary obligation	Important Treated like family	Few but deep Straight forward, personal demeanor

