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# INTEGRATION Christian Worldview Know-be-do **Genuine Christianity**

What God wants from man: wholehearted faithfulness on the basis of who God is.

What God actually gets from man: performative religiosity on the basis of what man can get out of it.

Faithfulness vs. religiosity

Wholehearted vs. performative

Who God is vs. what man gets

Pr 15.8: "The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the Lord, but the prayer of the upright is his delight."

See also 1 Sa 15.22; Ps 50, 51.16-17, 69.30-31; Pr 21.3; Je 7.22-23; Ho 6.6



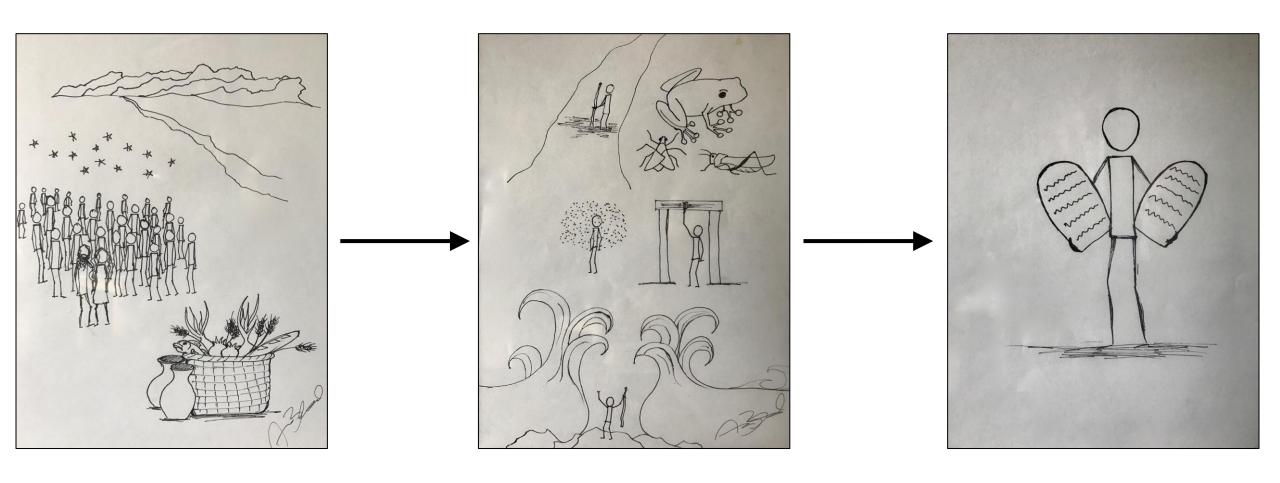


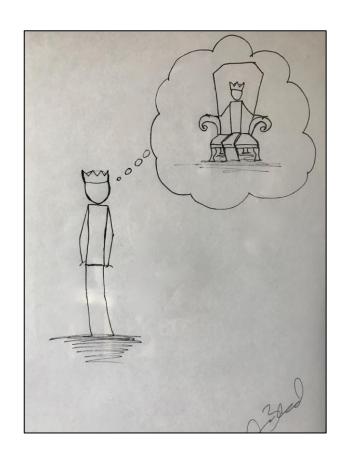
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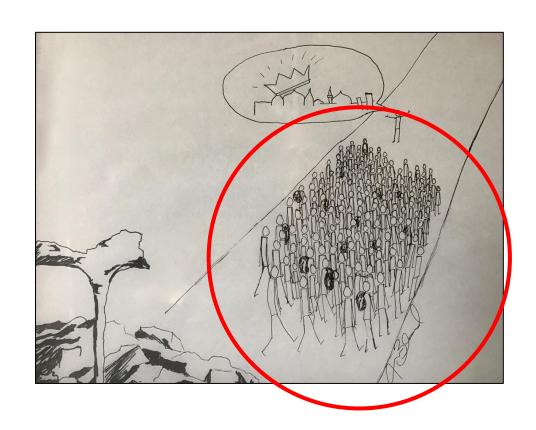
#### Discuss – Isaiah 1, 58

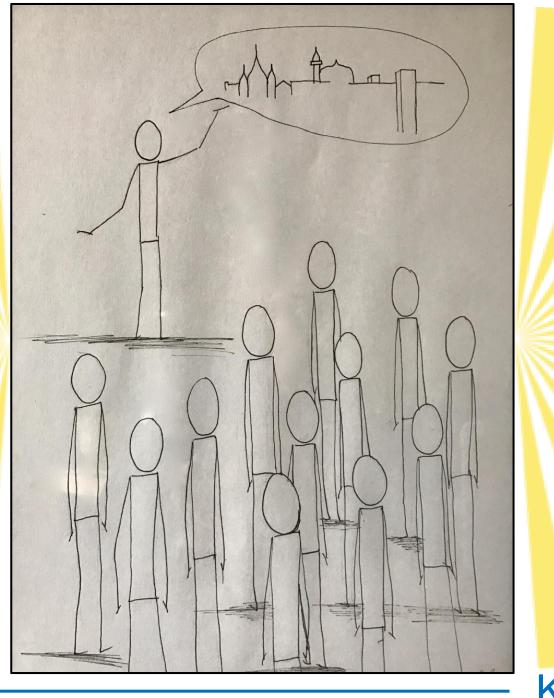
- Why does God use "Sodom" and "Gomorrah" when referring to his people?
- Why is God no longer pleased with the sacrifices and fasting being performed? What's gone wrong?
- In Is 58.3-12, why are the actions recommended ones that please God?
   Why do these things cause him to return to his people?
- What are some of the things that modern Christians do that would be like the empty fasting and sacrifices?

One observation per table, please!











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yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." 32 And the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher. You have truly said that he is one, and there is no other besides him. 33And to love him with all the heart and with all the understanding and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbor as oneself, is much more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." 34 And when Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And after that no one dared to ask him any more questions.

Whose Son Is the Christ?





Mk 12.28-34a: "One of the legal experts came up, and overheard the discussion. Realizing that Jesus had given a splendid answer, he put a question of his own.

"Which commandment', he asked, 'is the first one of all?'
"The first one', replied Jesus, 'is this: "Behold, Israel: the
Lord your God, the Lord is one; and you shall love the Lord
your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with
all your understanding, and with all your strength." And this is
the second one: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." No
other commandment is greater than these ones.'

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 Wholehearted: all the heart, all the intelligence, all the strength

Faithfulness: love's one's neighbor as one's self

Who God is: behold Israel, the Lord your God, the Lord is one

What God actually gets from man: performative religiosity on the basis of what man can get out of it.



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"What to me is the multitude of your worship conferences? I have had enough of your Sunday morning services; I do not delight in your praise and worship music. When you appear before me, who asked this of you? Trample through your church buildings no more; outreach events are futile; sermons are an abomination to me. Christmas Eve and Easter Sunday—I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your men's groups and prayer teams my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow."



"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord!' will enter the kingdom of heaven; only people who do the will of my father in heaven. On that day lots of people will say to me,

"Master, master—we prophesied in your name, didn't we? We cast out demons in your name! We performed lots of powerful deeds in your name!"

"Then I will have to say to them,

"I never knew you! You're a bunch of evildoers—go away from me!" (Mt 7.21-23)

#### Michael, Easter 2018

• "You know the gospel, and you're in the gospel, but you're not fully established in it! You're not. Some of you are adopting other worldviews, and you're mixing them in. That's not the worldview Christ has for us! He wants to fully establish us, complete, and present us before Christ as completely mature. Every single one of your life decisions [should be] based out of the worldview that Paul talks about in Romans. That's our job as leaders. We're supposed to fully establish you because we love you, and we care about you, and we want to present you before Christ."

#### Michael, Easter 2018

• "I so badly want you to understand."

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#### **Discuss**

- What are some of the ways that Christians can do "performative religiosity?" Have you done any of these yourself?
- What holds you back from pursuing the development of your knowledge, character, and skill? Strategize with one another on how to solve that problem.
- Which area needs the most work?
- Do you understand enough of God to be motivated to wholehearted obedience by who he is?
- What would wholehearted obedience look like?