

EPISODE 005: “WHY ARE CHRISTIANS SO HYPOCRITICAL? MAKING SENSE OF GOD’S PEOPLE.”

CONTEXT

Christians tend to misrepresent God because there is an internal conflict between honoring culture and honoring Christ. When Christians choose to honor the culture (church, society) over Christ, we live up to the identity of hypocrisy. In this episode, we will look at what hypocrisy is and why Christians can be so hypocritical.

What is Hypocrisy?

- 1) The character of acting in a way that is _____ with one’s character, belief system, or speech.
- 2) The word is not explicit in the O.T. (godless and profane are words associated with hypocrite).
- 3) The Greek word for hypocrisy is _____, which means “stage-playing or acting”.
- 4) Hypocrisy/Hypocrites was a term associated with the _____ (religious leaders).
 - It was used _____ times (all by Jesus Christ)

Cause of Hypocrisy

- 1) Prioritizing _____ people over _____ God (Matthew 6:2, 5, 16)
- 2) Prioritizing human _____ over God’s _____ (Matthew 15:1-9)
- 3) Prioritizing _____ over _____ (Galatians 2:11-14)

Characteristics of Hypocrisy (Matthew 23:13-36)

- 1) Keeping people from coming to Christ (Matthew 23:13)
- 2) _____ expectations (Matthew 23:15)
- 3) Lack of _____ (Matthew 23:16-19)
- 4) Lack of concern for _____ (Matthew 23:23)
- 5) _____ heart (Matthew 23:26)
- 6) _____ attitude (Matthew 23:27-28)
- 7) Lack of _____ (Matthew 23:29-36)

Cure for Hypocrisy

- 1) _____ (Matthew 22:37-39)
- 2) _____ (Matthew 12:34-35)
- 3) _____ (Luke 6:41-42; Galatians 6:3)
- 4) _____ (Colossians 3:12)