



PART 5: GREATER INDEED

INTRODUCTION

Something in us is tempted to believe God loves his law more than his people. We're tempted to prioritize rules over people. Maybe you left church because somebody prioritized the Bible over your divorced mother or gay brother. But Jesus came to offer us a life greater than keeping religious rules.

NINETY EXTRA

Did you check out this week's audio journey? If so, here are some icebreakers related to what you heard:

1. Are you currently navigating change in some area of your life? If so, how is it going?
2. How do you usually handle it when you feel like you've fallen short of God's desires for your life?

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever had a bad church experience? If so, to what extent was it caused by the church prioritizing the Bible or the law over you or other people?
2. Why is it so tempting to think of faith as obeying God's rules rather than living in a growing relationship with him?
3. Read Mark 13:1-4. Before Andy's message, how aware were you of Jesus' prediction that the Temple would be destroyed? What was your reaction to that part of the message?
4. Read 1 Corinthians 6:19. If following Jesus isn't about rule-keeping, what does it mean for you to live as though your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit? What is required of you?
5. During the message, Andy said, "With the arrival of Jesus, sacred has been commuted. There are no more sacred sites, objects, or geography. There are only sacred individuals. You're seated next to, married to, or raising a sacred person." In what ways should that idea influence how you express your faith in the way you treat others?
6. What is one thing you can do this week to take a first step or a new step toward following Jesus? How can this group support you?

MOVING FORWARD

Something greater than a temple or law has come into the world: the life and light of God; his only Son, Jesus. And Jesus offers you the same invitation he offered to his first-century followers: "Follow me"—not because of faith but because he has demonstrated his faithfulness.

WEEKLY READING

Spend some time this week reading and reflecting on Matthew 24, Mark 13, and Luke 21.