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**MESSAGE NOTES**

**8.8.21 | DROP THE MIC, Part 4: Religion Is On the Mic**

*So Paul stood in the middle of the leadership council and said, “Respected leaders of Athens, it is clear to me how extravagant you are in your worship of idols. For as I walked through your city, I was captivated by the many shrines and objects of your worship. I even found an inscription on one altar that read, ‘To the Unknown God.’ I have come to introduce to you this God whom you worship without even knowing anything about him.*

*“The true God is the Creator of all things. He is the owner and Lord of the heavenly realm and the earthly realm, and he doesn’t live in man-made temples. He supplies life and breath and all things to every living being. He doesn’t lack a thing that we mortals could supply for him, for he has all things and everything he needs. From one man, Adam, he made every man and woman and every race of humanity, and he spread us over all the earth. He sets the boundaries of people and nations, determining their appointed times in history. He has done this so that every person would long for God, feel their way to him, and find him—for he is the God who is easy to discover! It is through him that we live and function and have our identity; just as your own poets have said, ‘Our lineage comes from him.’*

*“Since our lineage can be traced back to God, how could we even think that the divine image could be compared to something made of gold, silver, or stone, sculpted by man’s artwork and clever imagination?*

*“In the past God tolerated our ignorance of these things, but now the time of deception has passed away. He commands us all to repent and turn to God. For the appointed day has risen, in which he is going to judge the world in righteousness by the man he has designated. And the proof given to the world that God has chosen this man is this: he resurrected him from among the dead!”* **ACTS 17:22-31 TPT**

**COMMON TENANTS OF RELIGION**

* 1. The ultimate goal is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with God.
  2. It is predicated on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of man.
  3. It has a system based on the teachings of those who are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
  4. The eternal outcome of following the system is to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
  5. The motivation to observing the system is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**WHAT IS THE GOOD NEWS?**

* 1. Our goal is right standing with God, too, but we are already deemed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ righteous.
  2. The Gospel is predicated on the good works of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
  3. The Gospel is based on the teaching of someone who is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
  4. The eternal outcome of those who follow Jesus’ teachings is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
  5. The motivation to live out good works is through our certainty and in our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**MOVING FROM SELF-RIGHTEOUSNESS TO GOD-RIGHTEOUSNESS**

The word *might* found in **2 Corinthians 5:21** is the Greek word \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_;   
it means a “fundamental change in nature.”

* **Religion in one word: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**
* **The Gospel is one word: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**
  1. When I couldn't do enough to save \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Jesus did enough to save me.
  2. I don't work for God's love, but I do good work because I am already fully \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by Him.
  3. Spiritual \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ can improve our quality of life, but only our Savior can satisfy our soul.
  4. I am a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God.
  5. The enemy can no longer condemn in me what God has already condemned on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
  6. I am the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God in Christ. I need not compare myself against others to improve my standing with God.
  7. I desire to be a carrier of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, not a courier of guilt.