



Of Course He Isn't Safe, But He is Good - Dan Reid

Matthew 23

1. Read verses 1-12. What is at the heart of the hypocrite? What is the heart of God?
2. Why is humility such an important quality to God? How might your life change if you were to seek humility to a greater degree?
3. Warning #1: Read verses 13-15. What are the risks that go with having zeal without knowledge? What does it mean to have the truth of the gospel in mind when we consider any ministry inside or outside the church?
4. Warning #2: Read verses 16-24. Describe an instance (paprika moment) where you majored on the minors. How do we better keep in mind major things like justice, mercy and faithfulness?
5. Warning #3: Read verses 25-28. Share how God has worked in your life to clean the inside of your bowl. What did you learn about spiritual formation from the experience?
6. Warning #4: Read verses 29-36. God pronounces judgment here. How do you reconcile in your mind and heart that God is not safe, but He is good?
7. Which of the 4 warnings apply most to you? Why?
8. Read verses 37-39. What thoughts and feelings come to you about the heart of Jesus from these verses?
9. How your community group can help you tame hypocrisy and increase humility?
10. What is a personal God honoring response to who He is and what He has done for you?

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