



"So Jesus traveled throughout the region of Galilee, preaching in the synagogues and casting out demons." ~ Mark 1:39

#### Jesus' 2 main ministry thrusts:

- 1. Preaching the forgiveness of sin, and the Good News of the Kingdom.
- 2. Alleviating human suffering (healing, delivering).





HOW RELIGION WORKS:

IF I OBEY, THEN GOD WILL LOVE AND ACCEPT ME.

THE GOSPEL:

I'M LOVED AND ACCEPTED, THEREFORE I WISH TO OBEY.

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The ford says:

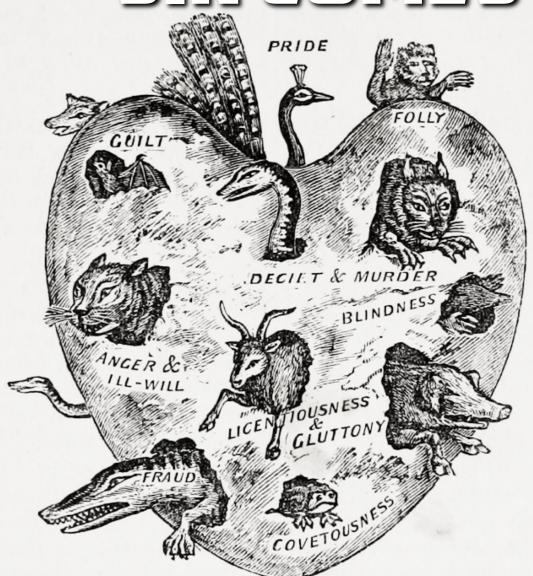
"THESE PEOPLE COME NEAR TO ME WITH

THEIR MOUTH AND HONOR ME WITH THEIR LIPS,

BUT THEIR HEARTS ARE FAR FROM ME."

What can we bring to the Lord? Should we bring him burnt offerings? Should we bow before God Most High with offerings of yearling calves? Should we offer him thousands of rams and ten thousand rivers of olive oil? Should we sacrifice our firstborn children to pay for our sins?

No, O people, the Lord has told you what is good, and this is what He requires of you: To do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.



THERE IS NOTHING OUTSIDE A PERSON THAT BY GOING INTO HIM CAN DEFILE HIM, BUT THE THINGS THAT COME OUT OF A PERSON ARE WHAT DEFILE HIM.

MARK 7:15

Create in me

Cloan heart, O God,

and renew a right spirit within me. Psalm 51:10