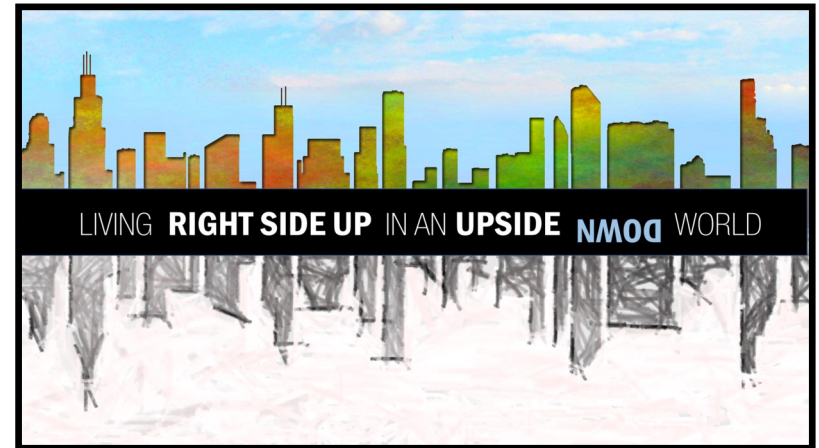


Can you think of a time in your life when you had to “get into God’s wheelbarrow,” a time when belief-faith had to become action-faith? Describe the situation and how it felt.

Read Hebrews 11. Are the examples of faith in that chapter belief-faith or action-faith? Identify at least one of each. (In Greek, each example uses *pistis* - belief-faith, *but pisteuo* is often implied.)

Prayer Requests



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Scripture References

Luke 19:45-48 • Micah 6:8 • Matthew 23:13
1 Peter 4:17 • Hebrews 11:6 • John 3:16

- 1) Most church attenders are what people would call “religious.”
- 2) The religious people were the ones Jesus had the biggest problems with.
- 3) When Jesus returns he’s going to deal with sin anywhere he sees it. He's out to destroy the things that separate people from God.

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- 4) The people of Israel thought that Jesus would free them from Roman oppression. Jesus was more concerned with purifying the house of God and the people of God.
- 5) When Jesus returns in triumph to judge the world, he will start with the house of God. (1 Peter 4:17)
- 6) *Pistis* – (noun): Conviction regarding a statement.
- 7) *Pisteuō* – (verb): Confidence in something or someone; to entrust something to someone.
- 8) When Jesus sits in judgment, he'll be looking for faith; but not just "belief" faith; he wants "action" faith.
- 9) Until we make the decision to climb into God's wheelbarrow, all our religious stuff doesn't matter.
- 10) Having faith in God has to include action; it has to change the way we live and how we see the world.



Small Group Discussion Questions

Please try to think these over and jot down some ideas prior to discussing them at the meeting, it will improve the discussion.

Read Luke 19:45-46. Compare Mark 11:11, 15-17. What do you think Jesus' attitude was when he cleared the Temple?

Read John 2:13-17. In verse 17, it speaks of zeal. What might that mean in our day? In what areas of our lives should zeal be evident? What would it mean for us to have zeal for the house of God?

Read 1 Peter 4:12-19. In verse 17, what does it mean that judgment begins with the house of God? Consider it in the context of the chapter. Read Malachi 3:1-5. How does that relate?