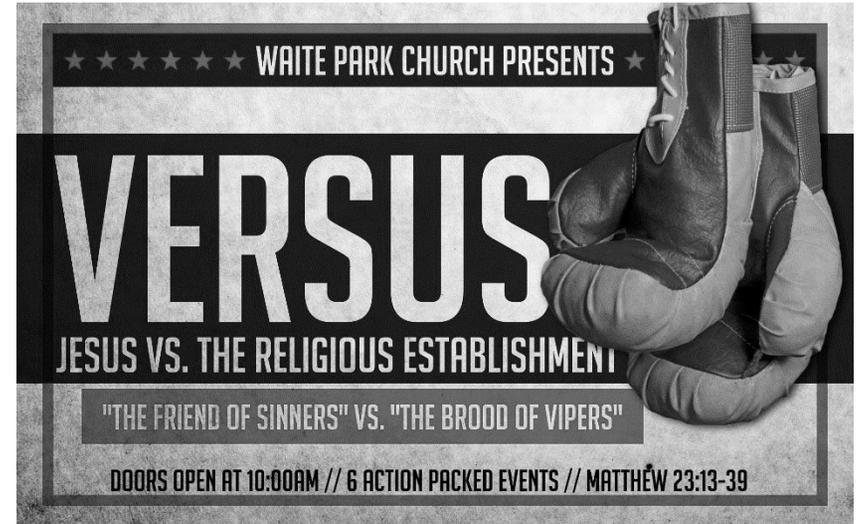


In what ways are you tempted to wander?

- To worship the idols of our day? (money, sex, comfort, etc.) What do you need to change for God to be your God?
- To reject Jesus as Lord and King of your life? (care more about politics than about God, to do things your own way, rather than God's, etc.) What needs to change for God to be your King?
- To care more about religion (duty, the details of theology, etc.) than loving God and your neighbor? What needs to change to make the Church your Temple and justice, mercy, and faithfulness your religious practice?



Let's Not Fight Anymore

Review:

- Jesus "punched" hardest against the religious establishment.
- *Hypocrisy*: Pretending to be morally upright in order to boost your image for others.
- *Self-Righteousness*: Believing you're completely righteous and morally superior to others.
- God doesn't want religious ritual as much as our faithfulness.
- Simply *appearing* good is more costly than *being* good.
- Jesus warns them about their coming judgment.

With some things, if you don't _____ it, you don't _____ it.

Scripture: Matthew 23:37-39

For Jesus, there's an emotion that runs much deeper than his anger...it's _____.

"The opposite of love is not hate, it's indifference." –Elie Wiesel

Two changes in this section:

1. The _____ changes.
 - From anger to _____.
2. The _____ changes.
 - The _____ changes from the Pharisees to Jerusalem.
 - The _____ changes from rabbi to _____ himself.
 - The _____ changes.

"How I have longed to gather you as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings..." (vs. 37)

How Israel Wandered:

1. They worshiped the idols _____ of their day.
 - Israel was unique among the nations.

2. They focused on _____ and rejected God as their _____. (1 Samuel 8)

3. They loved religion more than they loved _____ or _____. (2 Samuel 7)

Jesus wasn't _____ the Old Testament, he _____ it!

How Jesus Gathers Us:

1. God forgave us for idol worship because _____ to show us the perfect _____ of God.
2. Through his death and resurrection, he was vindicated as the _____ of all humanity and rules his people directly. (Philippians 2:9-11)
3. He ushered in a way of life that had no need for a _____ and formed the _____ as the new Temple. (1 Corinthians 3:16-17)