



Part 1: Not That Old Time Religion

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Scriptures: Matthew 5:17; Luke 22:15–20; John 13:34–35

The Old: _____ Model

- Sacred _____
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The New: _____ Model

- No more sacred _____ – because the church is a _____, not a _____
- Still a sacred _____ – but now everyone had _____
- No more special sacred _____ -- because Jesus is our _____

The Bottom Line:

The arrival of Jesus signaled the end of the Temple Model and the beginning of something _____

Talk It Over

1. What's one idea from the message that really stood out to you? Why did this idea grab your attention?
2. When you hear the word "church," what comes to mind? Why?
3. What are some things you think people today find resistible about Christians and the church? Is their assessment fair? Why or why not?
4. Have you ever felt rejected or unloved by a church? If so, how did it affect the way you viewed God or Jesus?
5. Do you tend to think of the church as an institution or a movement? How do you think that influences the way you think about and relate to God?
6. In John 13:34-35, Jesus institutes a "new" command. What is the command, and is it actually new? Why or why not? How does the event that happened just before Jesus said this factor in? (See John 13:1-17)
7. In Matthew 5:44, Jesus challenges his followers to "love your enemies." You may not think you have enemies, but who are people who make you uncomfortable or pull you out of your comfort zone? What would it look like to love those people?