



## Part 2 • Game Changer

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### 1. The Evolution of Religion

*For I desire mercy, not sacrifice, and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings.*

– **Hosea 6:6 (NIV)**

- Religion started with keeping the gods from being angry
- The Jesus model brought the end of the temple model and the beginning of a new relationship with God
  - Abandoning the ancient model is a game changer!

### 2. A new way to prove your relationship with God

*Then he said, "Do you understand what I have done to you? You address me as 'Teacher' and 'Master,' and rightly so. That is what I am. So if I, the Master and Teacher, washed your feet, you must now wash each other's feet. I've laid down a pattern for you. What I've done, you do.*

– **John 13:12–17 (NIV)**

- The new way to prove your vertical relationship with God, is by improving the horizontal relationships around you.
- Imagine a world where every follower of Jesus believed God is good with them and that their job is to be good with others.

### 3. The danger of combining the ancient model with the Jesus model

*You were running a good race. Who cut in on you to keep you from obeying the truth?*

– **Galatians 5:7 (NIV)**

- Combining the two models holds us back because it takes the focus off of God and the people around us.
- If your version of Christianity doesn't look like freedom, there is something wrong with your version!

### 4. The one simple and difficult thing that following Jesus requires

*For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.*

– **Galatians 5:6 (NIV)**

- The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.
- Love God, Love People, Leave the Rest to God!