# 4 Things I Wish You Knew About God

# God is Not a Legalist

Luke 11:33-54 06.14.15

#### 1. Check your \_\_\_\_\_. Luke 11:33-36

- Be quick to give God the \_\_\_\_\_\_ alone He deserves.
- Turning your back on the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of God leads to spiritual darkness.

# 2. Check your \_\_\_\_\_. Luke 11:37-44

- Build priorities based on what matters to \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 3. Check your \_\_\_\_\_. Luke 11:45-54
  - Legalists say "I'm a \_\_\_\_\_\_ because
    of my \_\_\_\_\_\_."
  - Legalists \_\_\_\_\_\_ others while Jesus came to set people \_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### **Our Mission at Trinity:**

Bring Glory to God by Loving Him and All People Through Obedience to His Word.

Ask someone close to you:

Would others see me as a religious "\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_\_" or as someone who is a

?"\_\_\_\_\_?"

Would others say I am more focused on \_\_\_\_\_\_

or \_\_\_\_\_?

### **FURTHER STUDY**

- 1. When you hear that as a follower of Christ you are a light to the world, what's your response?
- 2. Are you seen more as a religious fence builder or a loving Christ follower?
  - $\Rightarrow$  How would you balance out the concept of "tough love" with this statement and what it means to live out the truth of God's Word?
- 3. Can you think of any personal preferences that you have to be careful of putting on others, making them be biblical principles?
- 4. Paul uses an illustration other than light to show how God uses us to impact others in 2Corinthians 2:14-15. How is it similar and different to the illustration of the impact of light?
  - $\Rightarrow\,$  How does keeping in mind both of these illustrations affect how you live and think?
- 5. Part of being a light and showing God's love is being kind and gracious toward others. But, it's also not being a pushover. How do the following verses help us balance out what sometimes seems to be two opposing concepts?

Matthew 18:15	Ephesians 4:3,29,32	Luke 17:3-4
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- 6. Read 1Corinthians 13:4-8 replacing the work "love" with your own name. Consider how true this is of your relationships with your friends, family or co-workers.
- 7. What can I immediately apply in my life to better reflect who God is to a world that desperately needs to see their way to Him?