

PURPOSE CHURCH

SUNDAYS 8:30am | 10:00am | 11:30am



THE REAL JESUS

What He Said, What He Did, and How We Follow

MAY 25, 2025

WELCOME TO PURPOSE CHURCH!

Are you new to Purpose Church?

We are so glad you are here! We want to meet you, answer any questions you might have, and help you get connected. Come to the Connect Center located in the Lobby after the service to meet our friendly team and pick up a free gift!

NEXT STEPS AT PURPOSE

We believe every person has a **next step** to take.
We are here to help you discover and take yours.

Have you decided to follow Jesus?
Do you want to get baptized?
Do you need hope, healing and support?
Are you looking for meaningful community?

Head to: purposechurch.com/nextsteps



EVERYONE EVERYWHERE FOLLOWING JESUS

PRAYER

We would love to pray with you!
Please stop by the prayer room
after the service or submit a
prayer request online.
purposechurch.com/prayer

GIVING

We believe that generous people
transform the world! Offering
boxes are available in the lobby on
Sundays or you can give online.
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FIVE SINS OF HYPOCRISY
May 25, 2025 / Pastor Eric Holmstrom

“Education without values, as useful as it is, seems rather to make man a more clever devil.”
C. S. Lewis

Matthew 23:1-3

Christian Orthodoxy: good ***doctrine*** and beliefs that are aligned with Jesus and the Bible

Christian Orthopraxy: good ***practices*** and ways of living that are aligned with Jesus and the Bible

SIN #1: _____ **PEOPLE AWAY FROM GOD**
Matthew 23:13-15

SIN #2: _____ **PROMISES AND DECEIVING
OTHERS**
Matthew 23:16-22

SIN #3: _____ **BUT NOT PRACTICING
JUSTICE**
Matthew 23:23-24

SIN #4: _____ **MORE ABOUT APPEARANCE
THAN TRANSFORMATION**
Matthew 23:25-28

SIN #5: _____ **CHRIST AND TRYING TO
SAVE YOURSELF**
Matthew 23:29-32
Matthew 23:37
Romans 10:9, 13

HOW CAN I BEGIN FOLLOWING JESUS?

*Jesus, I **CONFESS** that my sin is a problem I can't fix.*

*I **BELIEVE** that you died on the cross to forgive me.*

*I **TRUST** that you rose from the dead proving you are God.*

*I **RECEIVE** you as my Lord and Savior.*

*Today and every day, I **CHOOSE** to follow you!*

If you decided to follow Jesus, let us know at:

[PurposeChurch.com/NextSteps](https://purposechurch.com/NextSteps)

REFLECT | DISCUSS | PRACTICE

1. **REFLECT:** How did God specifically speak to you through the Bible passages and sermon?
2. **DISCUSS:** All of us have struggled with hypocrisy, when was a time that you realized you were being a hypocrite and how did God reveal that to you?
3. **DISCUSS:** Read Matthew 23:13-22. Why is allowing even a little bit of hypocrisy into our lives devastating for our own relationship with Christ and our witness to a watching world?
4. **DISCUSS:** Read Matthew 23:23-28. Why do you think Jesus calls His followers to both tithe and practice justice and why isn't picking one of those enough?
5. **DISCUSS:** Read Matthew 23:29-37. Jesus expresses a lot of frustration and compassion towards us hypocrites, which compels us to ask; Where is there hypocrisy in your life right now that you want to confess and experience freedom from?
6. **PRACTICE:** Pick one area of your life where there seems to be hypocrisy and a misalignment between what you believe and how you behave-and decide how you are going to change that and ask Jesus to give you the power to do so.

*For more life group, reflection, and discussion content, and to join or start a group, visit: **purposechurch.com/groups***

Fill in the blanks: PUSHING, BREAKING, TITHING, CARING, DENYING

