



Discovering Jesus in the New Testament
#03 Jesus My Iconoclast
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- He tore things down to _____ the idols of our hearts.

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*“⁵For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, **an idolater**), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.” (Ephesians 5:5, ESV)*

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3) Jesus forbids using God to _____.

“¹³The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. ¹⁵And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶And he told those who sold the pigeons, “Take these things away; do not make my Father’s house a house of trade.” ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.”” (John 2:13–17, ESV)

- Worship is not a means to an end, it’s an _____ with God.

4) Jesus loves people not _____.

²But when the Pharisees saw it, they said to him, “Look, your disciples are doing what is not lawful to do on the Sabbath... ⁶I tell you, something greater than the temple is here. ⁷And if you had known what this means, ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice,’ you would not have condemned the guiltless. ⁸For the Son of Man is lord of the Sabbath.”” (Matthew 12:1–8, ESV)

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“You are not far from the kingdom of God.” And after that no one dared to ask him any more questions.” (Mark 12:34, ESV)

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- Jesus gives the doubters what they _____ to believe.

²⁴Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, “I believe; help my unbelief!” ²⁵And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.”” (Mark 9:24–25, ESV)

“²⁷Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” ²⁸Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”” (John 20:27–29, ESV)



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