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Christanity has become minimal - Ravi Zacharis

MESSAGE NOTES

Sunday, July 5

	notes
John 1:1-4 New International Version (NIV) The Word Became Flesh	
¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the beginning. ³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.	
John 1:14-18 New International Version (NIV)	
¹⁴ The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. ¹⁵ (John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying, "This is the one I spoke about when I said, 'He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.") ¹⁶ Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given. ¹⁷ For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and ^[a] is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known. Jesus the son of God become incarnate taking on the fullness of human nature.	
John 14:6 New International Version (NIV)	
⁶ Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."	
Jesus was full of grace and truth Grace and truth came through Jesus Christ Jesus is the way the truth and the life	
Who is God? He is absolute truth. Manifested through Jesus Christ.	
Philosophy existential Art has become sensual Education skeptical Religion mystical Culture has become trivial	

FIRST WAY – Truth without Grace Truth without grace leads to rules and rebellion.	notes
Rules without relationship leads to rebellion.	
SECOND WAY – Grace without Truth Grace without truth – do whatever and believe whatever you want	
Something is wrong whenever everyone hates you. Something is wrong whenever everyone loves you.	
THIRD WAY- full of Grace and Truth	
John 8 New King James Version (NKJV) Jesus the Light of the World	
⁸ But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. ² Now ^[a] early in	
the morning He came again into the temple, and all the people came to Him; and He sat down and taught	
them. ³ Then the scribes and Pharisees brought to Him a woman caught in adultery. And when they had set her	
in the midst, ⁴ they said to Him, "Teacher, ^[b] this woman was caught in adultery, in the very act. 5Now ^[c] Moses, in	
the law, commanded us ^[d] that such should be stoned. But what do You ^[e] say?" ⁶ This they said, testing Him,	
that they might have something of which to accuse Him. But Jesus stooped down and wrote on the ground	
with His finger, ^[f] as though He did not hear. ⁷ So when they continued asking Him, He ^[g] raised Himself up and	
said to them, "He who is without sin among you, let him throw a stone at her first." ⁸ And again He stooped down	
and wrote on the ground. ⁹ Then those who heard it, being ^[h] convicted by their conscience, went out one by	
one, beginning with the oldest even to the last. And Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the	
midst. ¹⁰ When Jesus had raised Himself up ^[i] and saw no one but the woman, He said to her, "Woman, where are	
those accusers ^[] of yours? Has no one condemned you?" ^[] She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said to her, "Neither	
do I condemn you; go [k] and sin no more."	
When they caught the woman in adultery the pharisees stood up for what they believed, Jesus stood up for someone He Loved. – Jaron Myers	
Jesus was full of grace and truth.	
Grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.	
Jesus is the way the truth and the life. He is not just a way he is the Way He is not just a truth he is the Truth He is not just a part of life he is Life	
Jesus was all Truth but yet was moved with compassion.	
Let us be a church that lives in tension between grace	
and truth.	

GROUP DISCUSSION

Grace and Truth Discussion Questions:

Why is it important to see Jesus as fully God? When we see Jesus as the manifestation of truth how does that change how we read the Bible?

Where do you find yourself leaning more towards Grace or Truth? How has that affected your relationships?

If we read further in John 14, it calls the Holy Spirit the Spirit of Truth that reminds us of what Jesus taught. How have you seen the Holy Spirit remind you of Jesus words? How can we be more in tune to when the Holy Spirit wants to speak to us?

Who in your life needs grace and truth? How can you show them that grace? How can you interject truth in a loving way? Share with your group and pray God will open up those opportunities.