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ROMANS – MINING THE DEPTHS OF THE GOSPEL (PART 12) RELIGION VERSES FAITH (ROMANS 3:27-31)

1ST CENTURY JEWS – more concerned about RELIGIOUS _____ than
cultivating a heart of GENUINE _____

RELIGION OR FAITH: The Upside/Downside

The Upside of Religion: requires _____

The Downside of Religion: produces _____

The Downside of Faith: requires _____

The Upside of Faith: brings _____

JESUS' DEALINGS WITH RELIGIOUS JEWS

MISPLACED _____ (*Matthew 15:6b-9*)

Problem: the Jews put man's _____ (_____) above God's _____

Note: Jesus did not condemn their _____

Indicates a heart that is _____ from God (*v8*)

EXAMPLES OF MODERN TRADITIONS

- Church _____
- Church _____
- Church _____

COUNTERFEIT _____ (*Matthew 23:25-28*)

RELIGIOUS PEOPLE

More concerned about _____ appearance than
_____ change (*v25b-27*)

Only have a shallow understanding of _____ and His _____
(*v27; Ez 13:10-12*)

Most people are fooled by their _____ covering (*v27*)

EXAMPLES OF MODERN SURFACE EXPRESSIONS

- Attending _____ for years, but never growing _____
- Enthusiastic _____ in worship, but never growing deeper in God's _____

JUST RELIGIOUS? OR PEOPLE OF FAITH? (ROMANS 3:27-31)

1) RELIGION PRODUCES _____; FAITH PRODUCES _____

(Romans 3:27,28; 2:17)

Matthew 5:3 – _____ are the _____ in Spirit *(Matthew 5:3)*

2) RELIGION IS _____; FAITH IN _____ *(Romans*

3:29,30)

3) RELIGION BRINGS _____; FAITH BRINGS _____

(Romans 3:31)