

## **The Greatness of Jesus Matthew 12:38-50**

How is evil purged from your heart?

- I. The greatness of Jesus' resurrection
  - A. The evil of control (v. 38-39)
  - B. Dying and rising with Christ (v. 40-42)
- II. The greatness of Jesus' presence
  - A. The evil of moralism (v. 43-45)
  - B. Putting on Christ (Col. 3)
- III. The greatness of Jesus' family
  - A. The evil of isolation (v. 46-48)
  - B. Embracing gospel community (v. 49-50)

### **Application Guide:**

1. In your struggle with sin, how have you seen your "try harder" attempts to overcome sin fail? How is dying and rising with Christ different than trying harder? What does this practically look like?
2. How have you seen moralism fail to purge sin and evil? How do you create a culture in your home that is characterized by the "good news of Jesus" and not merely "a list of do nots"?
3. How are you attempting to purge sin and evil in isolation? What keeps you from embracing the gospel community around you?