

# Sermon Summary

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### *Summary*

Pastor Carl begins by referencing the ongoing study on righteousness over the past two years. He notes how Jesus' works and actions proved who He was as the Son of God. Pastor Carl emphasizes that Christians are called not just to desire righteousness but to live it out, allowing God's Spirit to manifest himself in them. However, he has noticed more people wanting to depart from "Christian Fundamentalism" and its core beliefs like the inerrancy of Scripture. Many find it hard to stand for God's truth while walking in harmony with the world. Pastor Carl discusses how Jesus could dine with sinners but did not partake in their sin.

He transitions to reading Exodus 19 about God calling Israel to come up Mount Sinai. Though God desired all to see his glory, they chose not to sanctify themselves. Pastor Carl says God is calling the Church today to reverence His holy presence rather than making it about feelings or entertainment.

He talks about Jesus maintaining his beliefs but not imposing them, unlike many today. The new tolerance is intolerance of dissenting views. Pastor Carl notes how Jesus drew people through His persona and works, not just words. We are to manifest Jesus to the world through how we live.

Pastor Carl shares a personal experience where his boss was impressed by the peace he exhibited, leading to an opportunity to share the gospel. Pastor Carl emphasizes we manifest God not by arguing but allowing his Spirit to speak through us as we listen to others.

In conclusion, he challenges those present to consider whom they have recently given Jesus to and encouraged them to go in peace, with God's blessing.

