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HOW TO BE A PERFECT CHRISTIAN

It's tempting to think that with enough hard work and determination, we can achieve anything—including becoming a perfect person. While we can try to make all the rules we think we need to help us stay on track, the reality is that [spoiler alert] no amount of effort on our part will get us there. There's no such thing as a perfect Christian.

MESSAGE NOTES

So You Want to be Perfect?

Galatians 5:13-14 | Pastor Matthew Starner

Most people will tell you that church or religion is all about _____.

Genesis 1:27-28 NLT: So God created human beings in his own image. In the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. ²⁸Then God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and multiply. Fill the earth and govern it. Reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, and all the animals that scurry along the ground."

As people made in God's image, our task is to take what He's placed in this world and use it so that He gets _____ and we get _____.

We now allow the things we create and the things we use to _____ us and to become our _____.

It's tempting to swing to one of two extremes: _____
or _____.

Legalism: more rules keep me _____ and God _____.

Galatians 2:16 NLT: Yet we know that a person is made right with God by

faith in Jesus Christ, not by obeying the law. And we have believed in Christ Jesus, so that we might be made right with God because of our faith in Christ, not because we have obeyed the law. For no one will ever be made right with God by obeying the law.”

Licentiousness: God will _____, so I might as well _____.

Galatians 2:17 NLT: But suppose we seek to be made right with God through faith in Christ and then we are found guilty because we have abandoned the law. Would that mean Christ has led us into sin? Absolutely not!

The aim for a follower of Jesus is a life of _____ and _____.

Galatians 5:13-14 NLT: For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love. ¹⁴For the whole law can be summed up in this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."

We get there by being people who _____ and cling to the cross of Jesus for _____ on a regular basis.



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