

## Proverbs 21:3

## **Baaad Sacrifice**

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- JOHN 14:15 "If you love me, you will obey what I command.
- JOHN 14:23 Jesus said, "If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.
- MATTHEW 9:13 But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."
- MATTHEW 12:7 If you had known what these words mean, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice,' you would not have condemned the innocent.
- MATTHEW 23:23 "Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices--mint, dill and cummin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law--justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former.
- 1 EASY QUESTION: Is this right: Doing what is right and just instead of sacrifice?
- What does sacrifice look like?
- 3 So, if doing what is right and just is better and more acceptable than that, what does right and just look like?
- 4 Now, what does sacrifice actually look like?
- 5 What are some common baaad sacrifices in your life, in your world?
- 6 What ways can a Christ follower live best and most acceptable before the Lord?
- **7** BONUS QUESTION: How is wiping out the Amalekites right and just? (Hint: Remember you're Christians, not Israelites living 3,000 years ago.)

Proverbs 21:3 To do what is right and just is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice.