

# What Do I REALLY Believe?

## RESET, Part 1

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- All of us come to church with assumptions about Jesus.
- We project our own desires and values onto Jesus.
- We need to RESET some of our beliefs.

(Jesus) *Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.*

Matt 16:24

*Sell your possessions and give to the poor... For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.*

Luke 12:33-34

*Do you think I came to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but division.*

Luke 12:51-52

(Paul) *"I want to know Christ..."*

Philippians 3:10

### Public Convictions

(what I want other people to think I believe)

(Herod) *Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him."*

Matthew 2:8

### Private Convictions

(seem real and strong, but shift with circumstances)

*Peter declared, "Even if all fall away, I will not... Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you."*

Mark 14: 29,31

*The seeds on the rocky soil represent those who hear the message and receive it with joy. But since they don't have deep roots, they believe for a while, then they fall away when they face temptation. The seeds that fell among the thorns represent those who hear the message, but all too quickly the message is crowded out by the cares and riches and pleasures of this life. And so they never grow into maturity.*

Luke 8:13-15 NLT

### Core Convictions

(revealed by our daily actions)

- I am not the best judge of what I really believe because I can fool myself about what I believe.
- My actions reveal my core convictions better than anything else.
- What do your actions each day reveal about your beliefs?
- If your actions do not daily demonstrate your belief, then its not real belief, its pretend belief.

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Luke 12:33

*Have I done one single thing today simply because*

*Jesus said to do it?*

George McDonald

*Who do you say that I am?*

Luke 9:20

Prayer:

Jesus, show me who you really are.