## EASTER "From Religion to Relationship" Pastor Harlyn - 180 Church April 17, 2022

# 3 Aspects of religion

- How God \_\_\_\_\_ religion
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Where did religion come from?

Day of Atonement –

**Leviticus 16:7-10** "Then he shall take the two goats and set them before the LORD at the entrance of the tent of meeting. <sup>8</sup> And Aaron shall cast lots over the two goats, one lot for the LORD and the other lot for Azazel. <sup>9</sup> And Aaron shall present the goat on which the lot fell for the LORD and use it as a sin offering, <sup>10</sup> but the goat on which the lot fell for Azazel shall be presented alive before the LORD to make atonement over it, that it may be sent away into the wilderness to Azazel."

The Azazel – The \_\_\_\_\_

Leviticus 16:21 "And Aaron shall lay both his hands on the head of the live goat, and confess over it all the iniquities of the people of Israel, and all their transgressions, all their sins. And he shall put them on the head of the goat and send it away into the wilderness by the hand of a man who is in readiness."

John 1:29 "The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"

**Hebrews 10:5-6** "Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body have you prepared for me; <sup>6</sup> in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure."

**Hebrews 10:12** "But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God,"

Jesus is our \_\_\_\_\_!

**Hebrews 10:16-18** ""This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds," <sup>17</sup> then he adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." <sup>18</sup> Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin."

#### **Religion:**

"I messed up, my dad's going to kill me!"

### Sonship:

"I messed up, I need to call my dad."

### LOOK IN:

**1**. What kinds of things that are out of your control are you wrestling with now? How have you dealt with these things? How does this message/these passages challenge or encourage you?

**2**. How do you try to fix the things in your own life that cause you guilt, shame, or anxiety? How is this similar or different from what religious people through history have done? How is this similar or different to how you think God would have you deal with these things?

**3**. What parts of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection do you find most amazing? What do you find most challenging or confusing? Has this sermon/these passages helped your understanding in any way? If so, how?

**4**. Have you experienced the freedom and forgiveness described in this message/these passages in your own life? If so, how has that changed and grown over time for you? If not, are there any obvious barriers keeping you from embracing freedom and forgiveness?

**5**. Thinking about the story of the Prodigal Son from Luke 15, which character do you most relate to in this season of your life and why: the prodigal son, the older brother, or the father?