



**REVIEW**

**If you had to describe the “perfect” spiritual life based on things you’ve heard or read, what would it look like?**

**What would you have to do?** (Read your Bible every day for an hour, pray for an hour, serve in a soup kitchen every week, etc.)

**What would you have to not do?** (E.g. never do anything fun when you could be reading your Bible.)

At some point or another, we’ve been exposed to Christian culture. For some of us, we’ve lived our entire lives with ideas about what makes a “good” Christian. For others, we’ve come into the Christian faith and had to learn the lingo.

**For you personally, what’s been the most difficult aspect of Christianity that you feel you’ve been expected to do — that without it, you’re not really a good Christian?**

**What aspects of Christian cultural practice have you encountered that simply don’t jive with how God made you?** (Dyslexia or ADHD make prolonged reading hard, learn by doing—not by reading, not feeling comfortable sharing in public, not being able to fast because of hypoglycemia, etc.)

Each of us is different—and that’s good. God didn’t set out to create exact replicas of only one super-Christian. Instead, He set out to recreate each of us in the image of Jesus. Larry highlighted that we often throw around the description of Christianity as a “relationship, not a religion.”

But when we reduce the Christian life to only one set of practices, we ruin the health of the relationship.

**How did Larry’s description of his brother’s and his relationship with their dad sit with you? How does that picture—that God relates to us each uniquely—change your perspective of your relationship with your heavenly Father?**

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