Sermon Summary: May 19, 2019

**Messy:** Joining God in the Mess

**Messy You**

* We all have a tendency to want to look less messy than we really are and to always put our best foot forward.
* The Pharisees were a group of people that were considered cleaner and more respectable than every else. (Matt 23:1-7)
  + They wanted to be seen and respected.
  + We all have a little pharisee living in us.
* We are no better than anyone when we stand before God (Matt 23:8-10).
* You shouldn’t try to exalt yourself by trying to look better than you are, but rather be humble (Matt 23:11-12).
  + being humble, doesn’t mean that you have an extremely low view of yourself, it means that you have an accurate view of yourself and God.
* You are messier than you think, yet God was gracious to send his one and only son, Jesus Christ, to die on your behalf to pay for your sins so that you could be redeemed (Rom 3:23-24).
* We are called to serve others from the perspective of a humble servant not superiority like the Pharisees.
* When you serve from humility it takes away our judgment, allows others to receive, and gives God the glory.

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