



Discussion Guide for “Satanic Religion” *The Devil in the Details Week 2*

We're told to look for the devil in drugs, sex and rock n roll. But if we're to believe Jesus, religion can distract us from God. The only solution to satanic religion is to follow Jesus to the cross.

Scriptures for Further Reading

[Mark 8:31-38](#)

[Genesis 9:8-17](#)

[Psalm 25:1-10](#)

[1 Peter 3:18-22](#)

Lenten Challenge:

Jesus challenges us to follow him to the cross. We resist satanic religion by following his example of loving self-sacrifice. This week, make it a point to perform an act of service for someone in your orbit. Do your best not to get caught. Serve as a sacrifice – not for the attention, not to check a box or so the other person owes you. This week, you're like a stealth fighter, flying under the radar.

Questions for Discussion

1. Growing up, where were you told to watch out for the devil? Were you ever told to watch out for religion?
2. Share an example of 'satanic' religion you've experienced.
3. Reread Mark 8:31-33. Why did Jesus call Peter 'Satan'? What
4. “Get behind me” is better translated “follow me”. How does following Jesus cure us of the temptations of satanic religion?
5. What kind of religion is tempting for you? How are you resisting its lure this week?