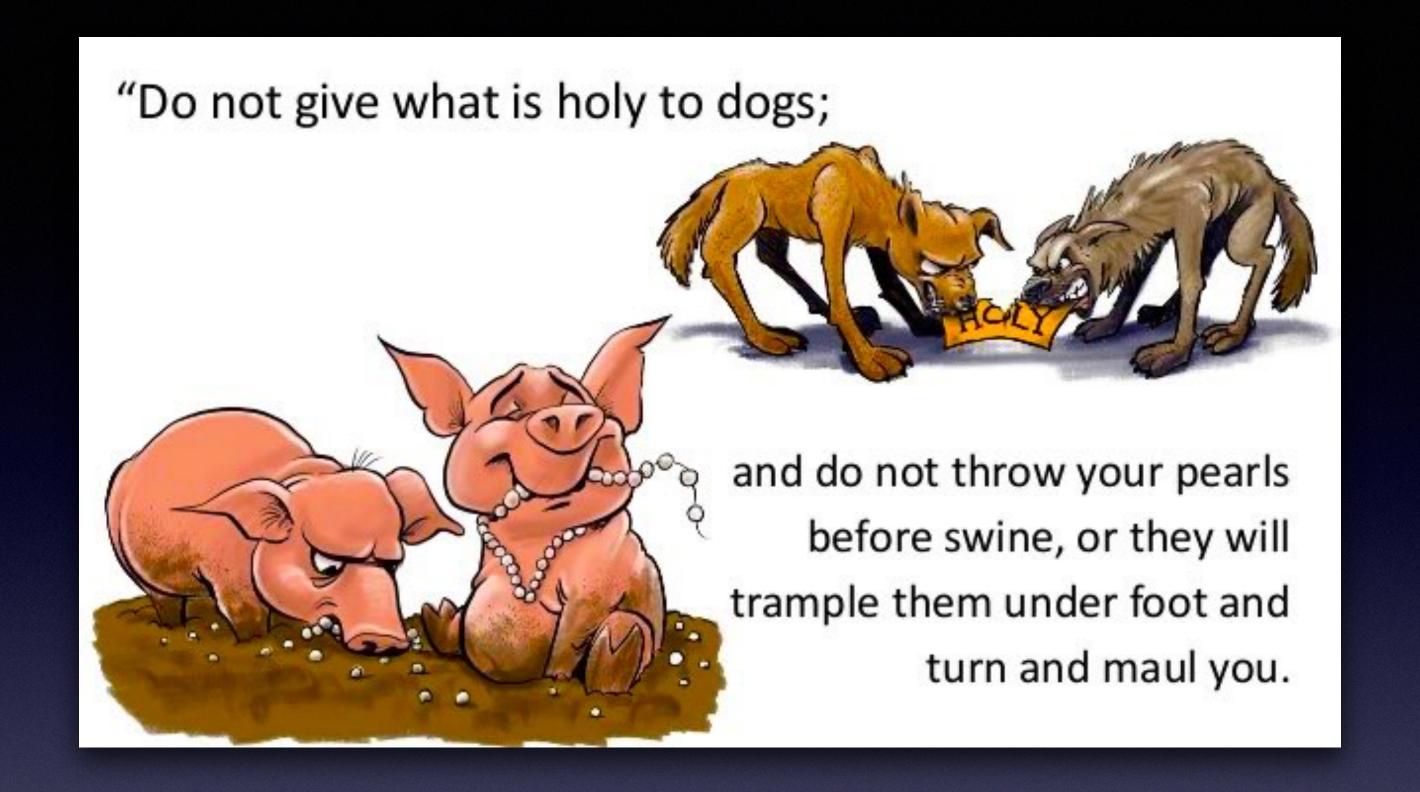
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## What have we found helpful so far?





#### BONUS EPISODE: Matthew 7.1-6

### Condemnation / Discernment

## 1. Two Ways



"Furthermore, tell the people, 'This is what the LORD says: See, I am setting before you the way of life and the way of death."

- (Jeremiah 21:8 NIV11)





'thlibo' ('narrow', v 14) = oppressive

# Few/Many

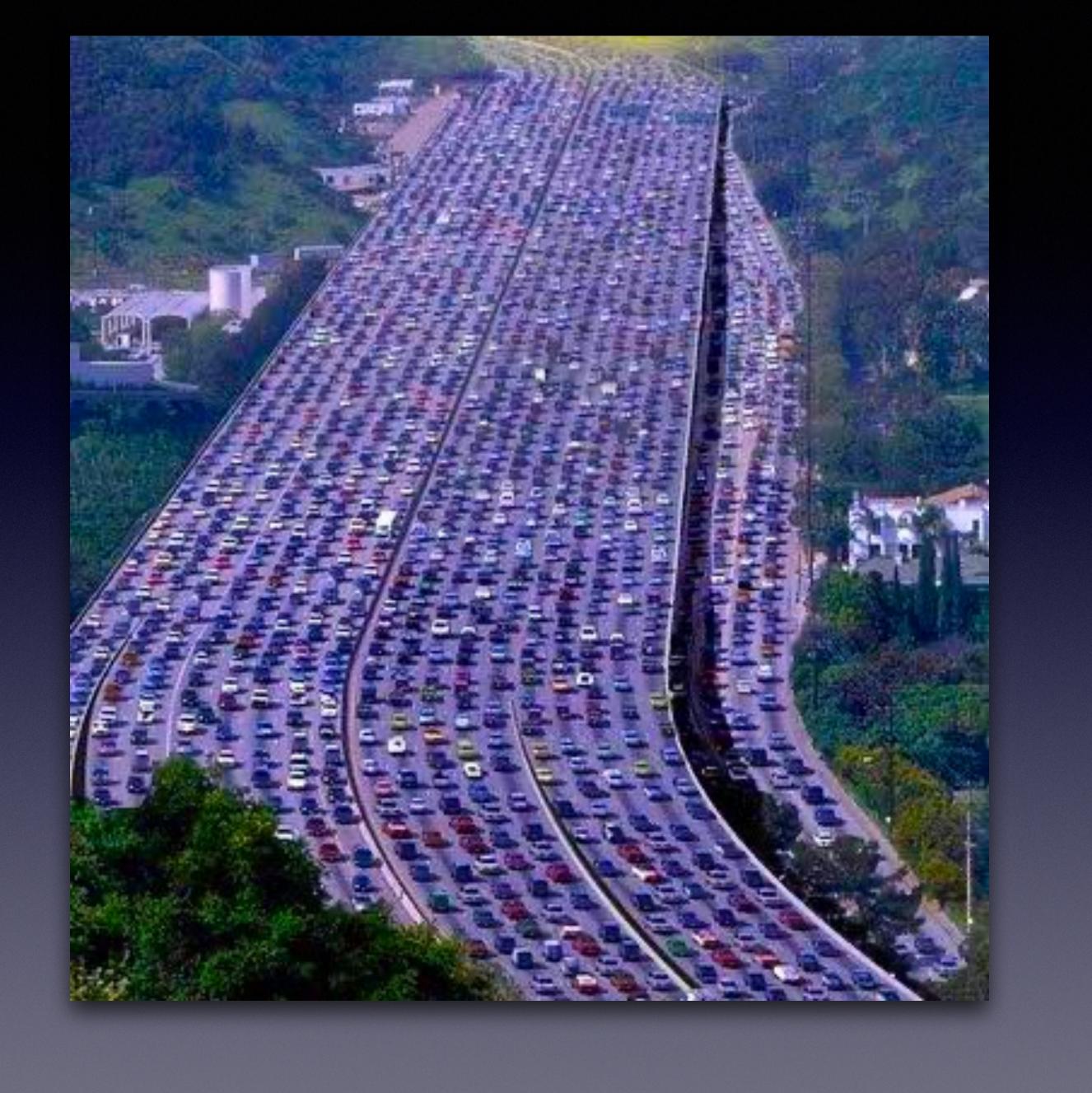
"Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to."

(Luke 13:24 NIV11)

"After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands."

(Revelation 7:9 NIV11)

# Seek and you will....







# How can we recognise when we are 'going with the flow'?





# Didn't take long...

"Nevertheless, I have this against you: You tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophet. By her teaching she misleads my servants into sexual immorality and the eating of food sacrificed to idols." (Revelation 2:20 NIV11)



## How can we recognise the wolves?



## Recognise the wolves by....



1.Bad character

2. False teaching

3. Unhealthy influence

## Keeping the wolves away

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep."

(John 10:11–13 NIV11-GK)

## 3. Two Claims

Just calling to remind you that I know you in real life, so your Facebook posts aren't fooling anyone.



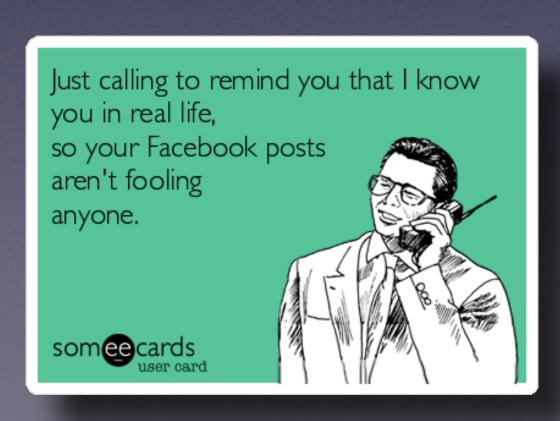
#### Two Possible Attitudes



#### 1. Know but refuse

2.On their terms

### "What you really mean, Jesus is...."

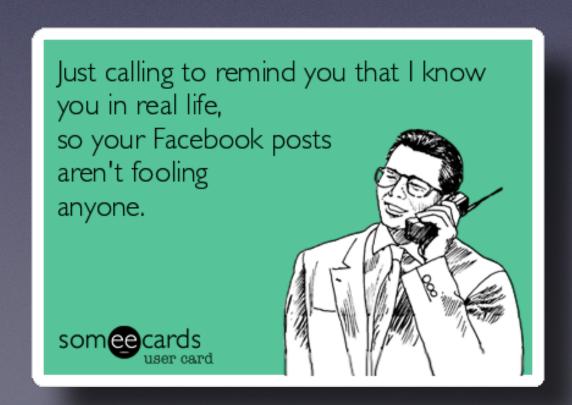


## Words are meaningless...on their own

# Making a claim on our own terms is pride



## How could this warning apply to us?



# EXPLORING 'THE GOOD LIFE'



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## How can you apply one of these teachings tomorrow?

