

the  Venues
Go Deep
What Would Jesus Say About...
The Venues
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*What have you heard others say about The Venues?
What do you say about The Venues?*

October 31 is not just Halloween, it is also the day Martin Luther (a priest) “protested” against the church, offering “reforms,” hence, beginning the Protestant Reformation.

Define “Protest” and “Reform.” Why would anyone want to protest and reform the church?

“The Week” - a newsmagazine, contained an article with this headline: “The decline of Christianity in the U.S. continues at a rapid pace.” The fastest growing segment of the population today is the “Nones” - those who claim no religion.

Why do you think that is? What’s going on?

How do you see Jesus protesting and reforming religion?

Let’s think about what Jesus might say to The Venues by looking at the following verses:

Read Matthew 13:52: *What clutter needs to be removed from our spiritual closets?*

Read Matthew 28:18: *Where is authority found? What other sources of authority have Christians often followed? Where does the Bible and the Pope fit into this?*

Read John 13:34 and John 15:12,17: *What is the message here? How should that message be followed and applied in The Venues, in our lives?*

Read Acts 17:28 and John 1:9: *“We are all his offspring” “Gives light to everyone” - What do these verses tell us about the inclusiveness of God?*

Read 2 Corinthians 3:17-18: *Paul calls us to “mirror” God. How do you mirror someone? What is the result of mirroring God?*

How would Jesus reform the church, The Venues, your life today?