

Morning Rundown: Lecrae Shares Testimony of Deconstruction to Find Greater Faith in Christ

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LeCrae Shares Testimony of Deconstruction to Find Greater Faith in Christ

In a newly released video, Christian rapper and music artist Lecrae shared his powerful testimony of deconstruction and how he ultimately found his way to a greater and more in-depth relationship with Jesus.

After struggling with the sentiments of evangelicalism during varying cultural events, Lecrae realized that some topics are more politically-charged and polarizing than what he believes should be. He also began to notice that religiosity is, in many ways, a bigger stronghold over the Christian community than actual fear or desire for the Lord. Instead, he warns that many times what people are after instead is a production.

"We see people showing up on Sunday to come to a play or a Broadway presentation," Lecrae said. "They're disconnected from one another. There's not really genuine fellowship; you don't know if you'll see the same people from week-to-week."

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Christ the Redeemer Illuminated for Taylor Swift's Tour Raises Questions

The recent illumination of the iconic Christ the Redeemer

statue in Rio de Janeiro to celebrate Taylor Swift's tour has ignited discussions about the appropriateness of using a symbol of Jesus Christ for secular purposes.

While the initiative aimed to bring joy to fans and coincide with the World Day of the Poor (by collecting donations of food and water for the needy), it raises questions about the alignment of such practices with biblical teachings on the sanctity and holiness of God.

One key consideration is the nature of Taylor Swift's music, which has been known to incorporate new age and occult themes in her music videos. The Bible warns against participating in practices contrary to God's holiness and calls believers to focus on what is pure, lovely and praiseworthy (see Phil. 4:8). Using a statue of Jesus Christ to celebrate an artist known for such themes raises concerns about whether it honors the Lord who sacrificed His life for mankind's sins.

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What Hurts the Most While Watching America Fall Apart

The state of our nation today reminds me of "The Twilight Zone" reruns that I watched as a young boy. They were always very eerie and unsettling.

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For those unfamiliar with "The Twilight Zone," it was a science fiction horror series that ended in 1964. Each episode began with an introduction from host Rod Serling telling the viewer they were entering "the Twilight Zone", and featured a story where the actors experience very disturbing or unusual events, sometimes scary, sometimes comical.

But for us today, this is no TV series—many disturbing events we hear of in the news and in our communities are real. For example: {eoa}

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