

Christian Rapper Lecrae Pays Price for Opinion on 'Politicized' Christianity

Grammy Award-winning hip hop artist Lecrae says he lost an upcoming show performance after expressing his thoughts about the "institutional" and "politicized" version of Christianity in a tweet.

"Once upon a time I thought I was done with Christianity. But the reality was I was just done with the institutional, corporatized, gentrified, politicized, culturally exclusive version of it," Lecrae wrote on Jan. 19.

The 42-year-old re-shared his tweet the next day, revealing that he, "Just lost a show because of this tweet. Point proven."

He added, "Vulnerability gets people kicked out of exclusive tribes. Jesus welcomes the outcast and seeks to bring healing."

Lecrae told The Christian Post (CP) that he chose to share the tweet last week in response to some believers who are doubting their Christian faith.

"What inspired the tweet was that a few people that I know this year, who've been professing Christians for years, have decided they no longer claim Christianity," he told CP.

"I just thought to myself, 'Man, I know that feeling.' But sometimes we throw the baby out with the bathwater, and I wanted to just encourage people that, 'Hey, I know where you're (at), what you're feeling. But sometimes the problem is not with the faith; it's with the distortions of the faith,'" he continued.

Lecrae revealed that "It was actually a tour date" that was

canceled following his remarks about Christianity.

“Not only did it affect me, it affected all the artists on the tour,” he told CP.

In spite of everything, Lecrae said plenty of other people have contacted him and are eager to rebook the date. {eoa}

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