the Avenues Go Deep

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How many closets, drawers, rooms do you need to clean out? How close are you to being a hoarder?

1. Do we have a cluttering problem (not physically but spiritually)?

Read: Matthew 4:19-20; Matthew 9:9; Matthew 19:21; Matthew 11:28-29

From these verses, what does it mean to be a Christian? How do you see that Christianity has been a victim of cluttering?

Take a look at this video

While the video is sarcastic, what examples of "cluttering up Christianity" do you see?

What lessons do you learn from the video?

What is the essence of Christianity?

2. How do we de-clutter our faith?

Read 2 Corinthians 11:3 You'll discover that Bible versions use different words to translate one Greek word. Some use "sincere" while others use "simple."

The word literally means, "Not folded" like a piece of cloth unfolded. It means simple, not complicated, without folds – like a piece of cloth unfolded.

What does that word tell us about the nature of Christianity?

Read Matthew 25:31-46 What is the essence of Christianity based on these words by Jesus?

What does following Jesus look like to you?