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“You have perhaps heard somewhere a child of the slum using profane language, and you have said, ‘He is taking the name of God in vain; it is a terrible sin.’ It is. But when you have prayed, ‘Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,’ unless you had let His kingdom come in your life, your profanity is worse than the profanity of the man on the street . . .

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. . . your blasphemy was more terrible than the blasphemy of the child of the slum . . . Yes, the blasphemy of the sanctuary is more awful than the blasphemy of the slum.”

(G.C. Morgan, The Gospel According To Matthew, p. 79)

“These people draw near to Me with their mouth, and honor Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me.” (Mat. 15:8)

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THE CLAIM: “Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?” (Mat. 7:22)

JESUS’ ANSWER: I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness.” (Mat. 7:23)

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THE PROBLEM: “For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of God’s righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God.” (Rom. 10:2-3)

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**The Lord is not Lord *at* all,
unless He is Lord *of* all.**

**“For whoever shall keep the whole law, and yet stumble
in one point, he is guilty of all.” (Jas. 2:10)**