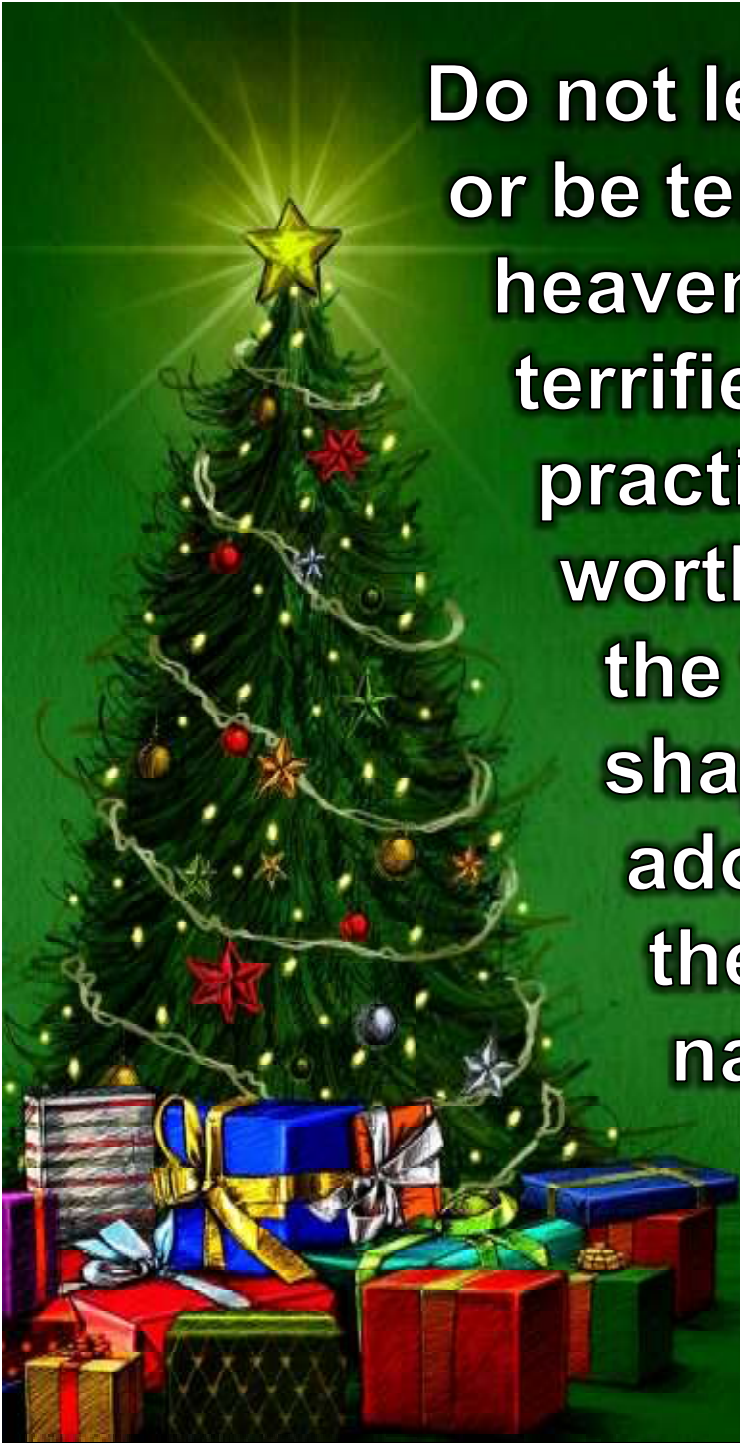




WARNING

**Offense Highly
Possible**



**Do not learn the ways of the nations
or be terrified by signs in the
heavens, though the nations are
terrified by them. For the
practices of the peoples are
worthless; they cut a tree out of
the forest, and a Craftsman
shapes it with his chisel. They
adorn it with silver and gold;
they fasten it with hammer and
nails so it will not totter.**

Jeremiah 10:1-4

MY TRIP TO THE ZOO





The Statement

**You blind guides! You strain
out a gnat but swallow a camel**

Matthew 23:24

Legalism

**Excessive adherence
to law or formula**








Are We Swallowing the Camel?



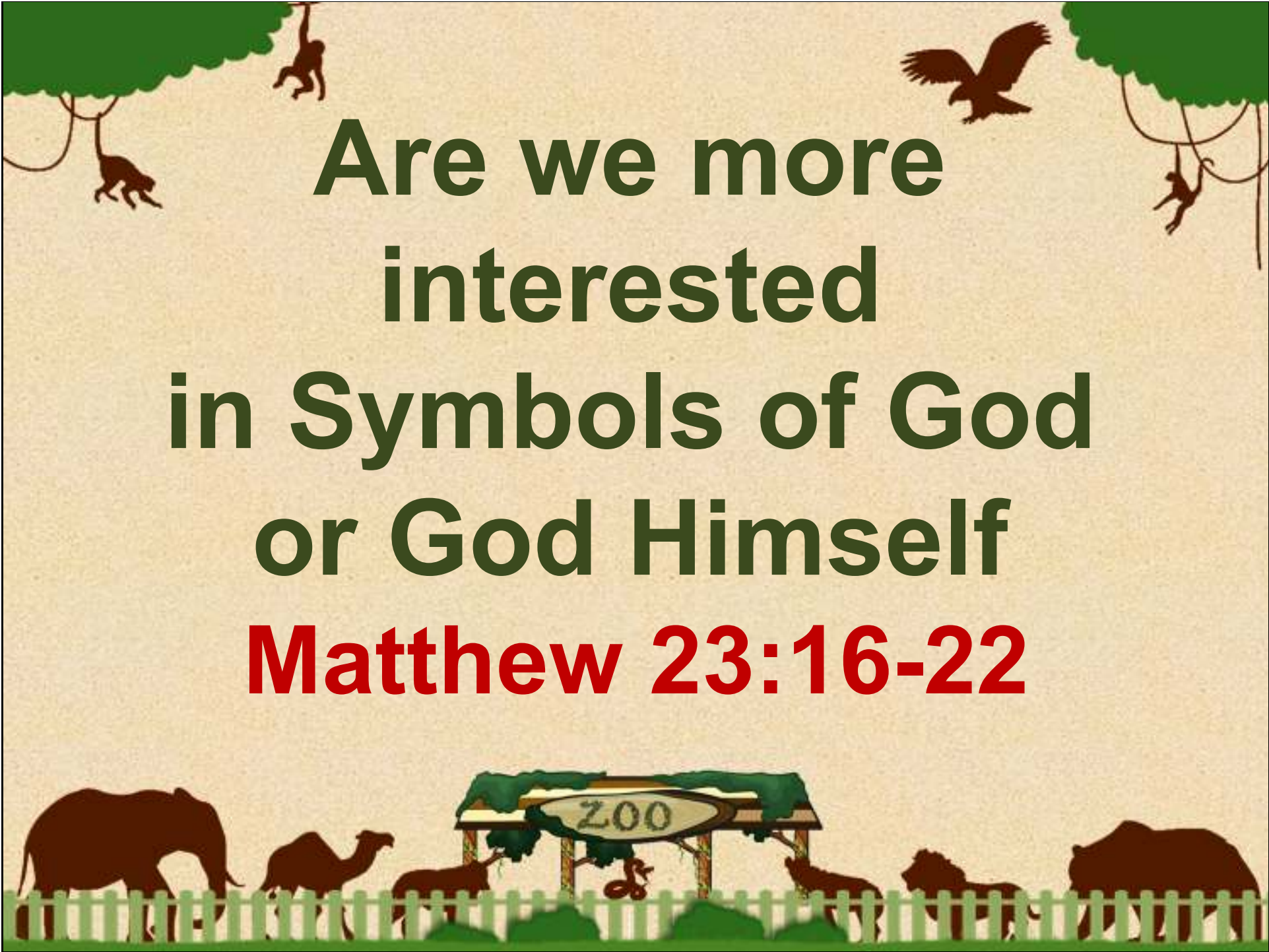
**Are we making
it hard for people
to follow?**

Matthew 23:13



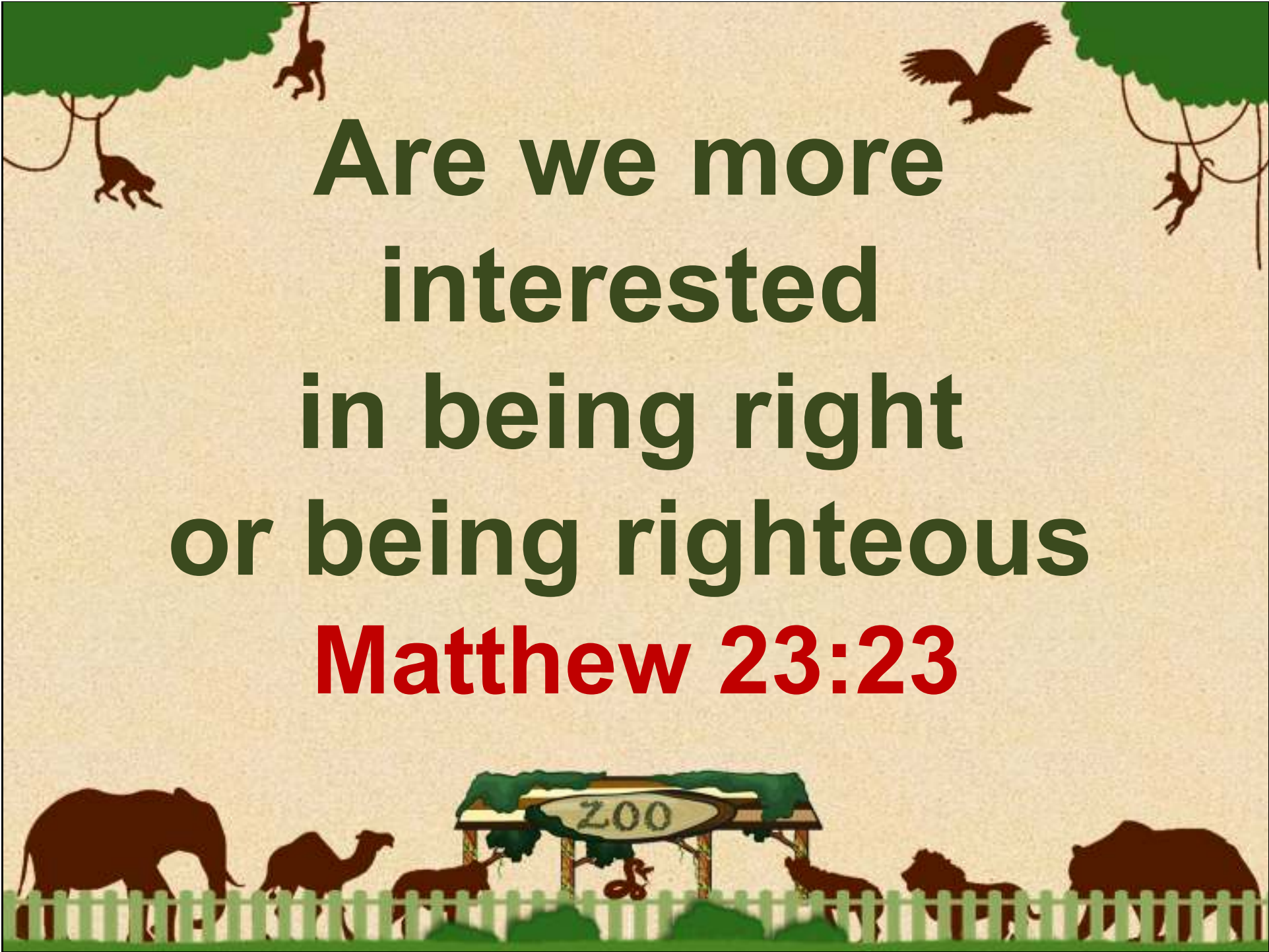
**Are we trying
to connect people
to the church
or to Christ?**

Matthew 23:15




**Are we more
interested
in Symbols of God
or God Himself**

Matthew 23:16-22



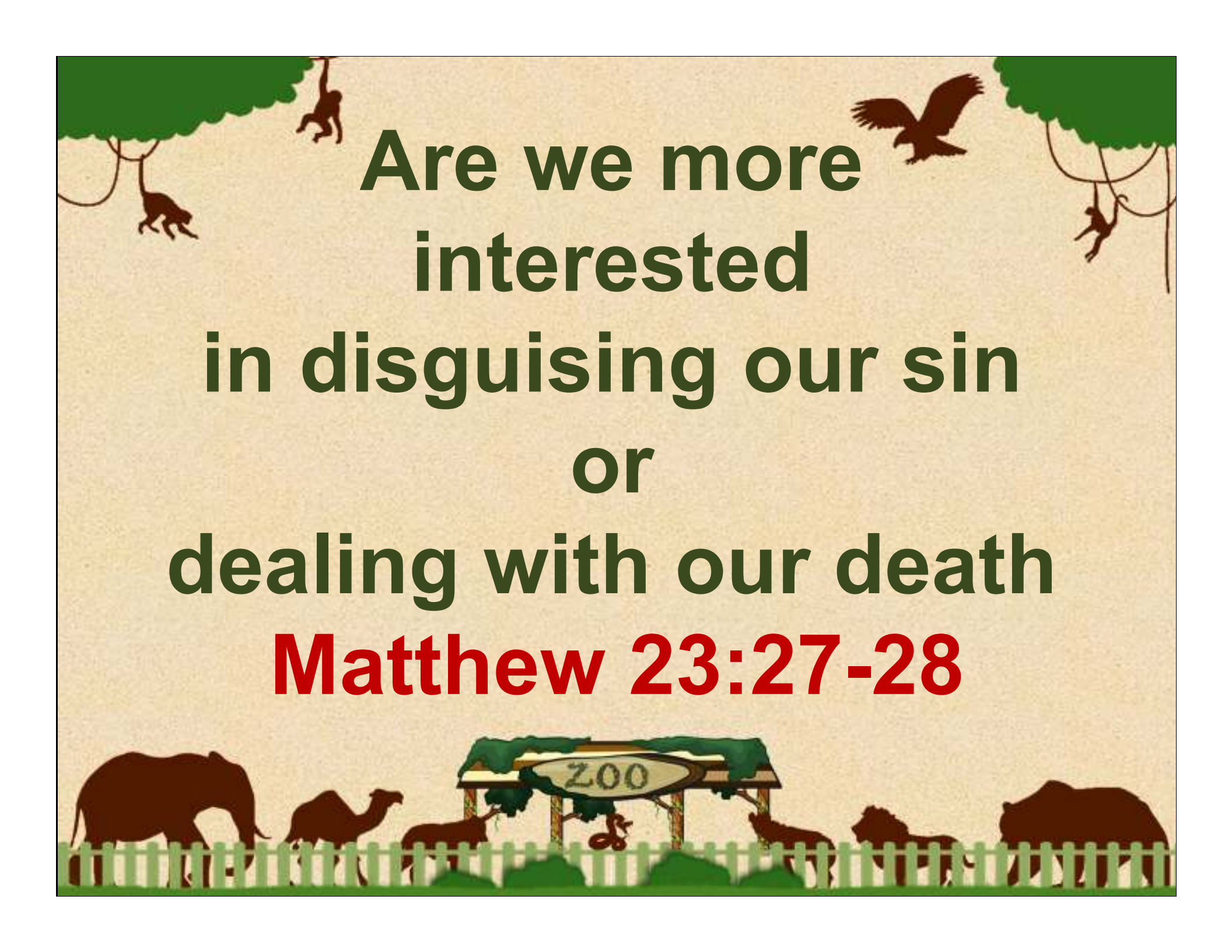
**Are we more
interested
in being right
or being righteous**

Matthew 23:23




**Are we more
interested
in appearance
or repentance**

Matthew 23:25



**Are we more
interested
in disguising our sin
or
dealing with our death**

Matthew 23:27-28

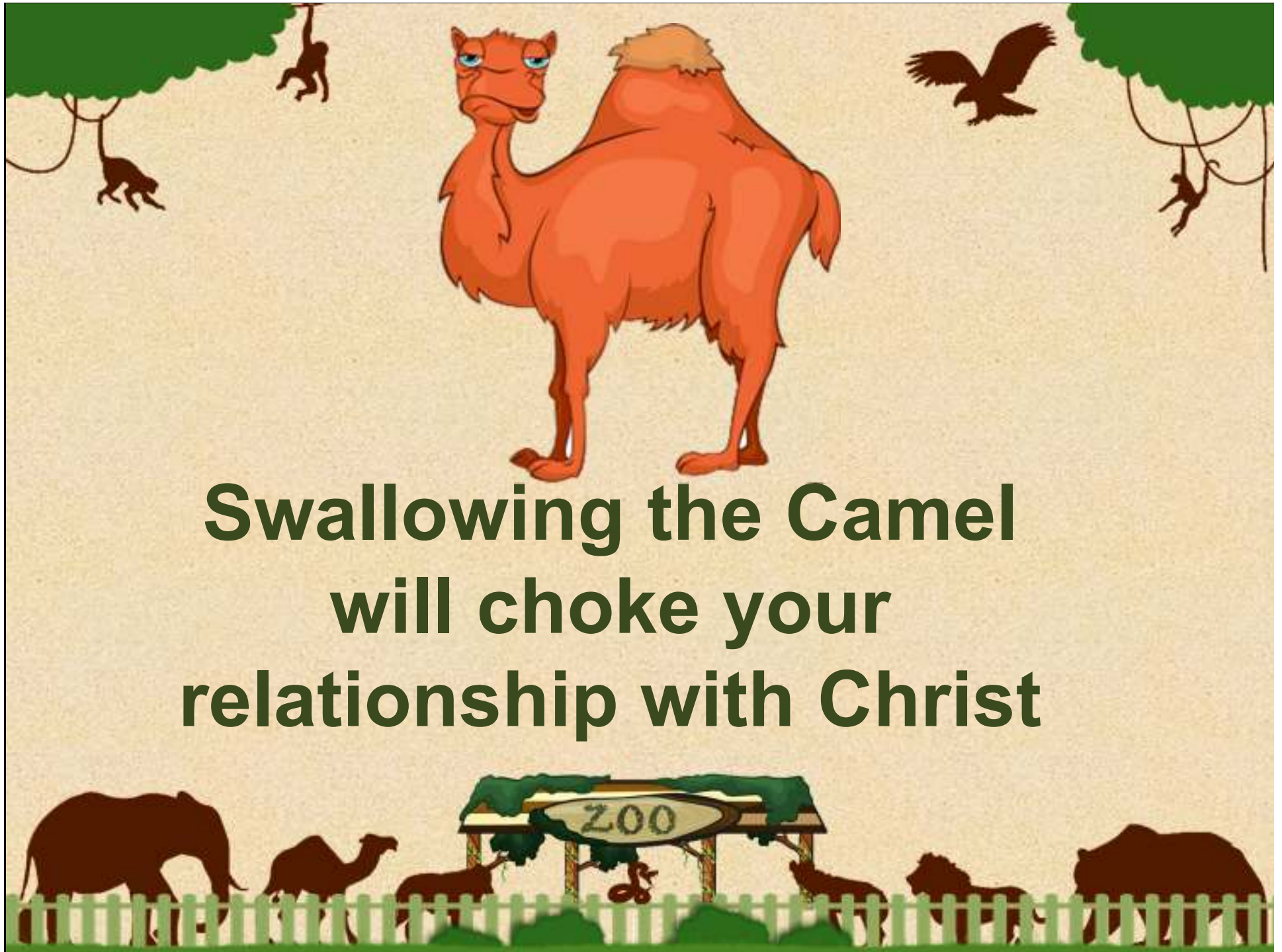


**Are we more
interested
in glorifying our ourselves
or glorifying our God**

Matthew 23:29-32



What's for Dinner?



**Swallowing the Camel
will choke your
relationship with Christ**