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## Time to Clean House

The Problem with Clutter

- I. The problem with clutter
  - It distracts from our focus
  - It divides our loyalties Matt. 6:24
  - It values the wrong things Heb. 11:24-26

II. It's all about righteousness

- Defined: The character or quality of being right or just
- What is the standard? The very character of God Matt. 5:48

III. So it's about good works?

- No, we are incapable of living up to God's standard
- We have all been infected by sin Rom. 3:10-12
- We have been sentenced to death Rom. 4:12

IV. Good works are the fruit of righteousness

- The root is the source of righteousness Jn. 15:5
- The root is Jesus
- He gives us HIS righteousness II Cor. 5:21

V. How to live in HIS righteousness

- Not like the pharisees Matt. 5:20
- Like Abraham believing (by faith) Rom. 4:1-3
- Live motivated by love Lk. 22:31-32, Jn. 21:15-17, I Cor. 13:8