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Now I see that there were words, practices, traditions, and policies in those churches that were allowed in, that was not part of the BRAND NEW design of the “new covenant” of Jesus.

I was raised in church, so these were not things that I personally resisted (or recognized as barriers), but looking back, I can see how they were very likely the things that would unfortunately, unnecessarily put off, alienate or offend the unchurched, including my friends and family whom I hoped would come to church and discover who Jesus really is.

So, yeah I love and appreciate Pastor Andy’s message to help us be aware of the things we may (yes, even here at Vision), have incorporated that were not Jesus’ intention and may be causing an unchurched person to find this experience quite resistible. As we identify them and change, what I see is more freedom and a refining process that gets us closer to the kind of church God wants us to be. Is it just me, or do you see it too?



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