



Radical Christianity  
Series: Gospel of John, #8  
John 2:13-25  
Pastor Lyle Wahl  
April 30, 2023

1. Begin with true, deep faith. (23-25)
2. Be obedient to God's directions. (13)
3. Live out your faith with devotion and action. (14-22)
4. Balance your view with insight beyond themselves. (24-25)

## In My Life This Week

*As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.*

**Monday.** True faith in Jesus Christ brings about a radical transformation and is radically different from man-made versions of Christianity. As you review 2:23-25 note that the crowds *believed* in Jesus because of His miracles, and that some of them did not have true faith. Our responsibility to present the gospel clearly and listen carefully so decisions are to true faith.

**Tuesday.** Radical Christianity is characterized by obedience to God's directions. If Jesus, who is God and gave the Law to Israel, did not exempt Himself from attending the Passover (verse 13), what does that tell us about the standard or quality of our obedience?

**Wednesday.** Living out a life-changing faith is evidenced with devotion and action. Jesus chased the merchants out of the temple because He was devoted to what was right and because He had the authority to do it. Do take risks for Christ because of your devotion to Him?

**Thursday.** True, radical faith also leads people to balance their view with insight beyond themselves. In 2:24-25 Jesus did not accept the great outward statements of praise and faith at face value, but looked into people's hearts. We do not have His ability, but we have discernment and wisdom from God to understand ourselves and others as we should, and so to have sound judgment. The sound judgment of insight into others prevents a host of problems.

**Friday – Saturday.** On Sunday we plan to look *We're Going to See the King* from 3:1-21. Read this familiar section of the gospel in preparation for our time together.