

ZECHARIAH

prophet of hope

Ritual or Reality?

Zechariah 7:1-7

Psalm 137:1

**“By the rivers of Babylon, there we
sat down, yea, we wept, when we
remembered Zion.”**

Marks of Ritualistic Religion

1. False Spirituality

Psalm 73:25-26

**“Whom have I in heaven but thee?
and there is none upon earth that I
desire beside thee. 26 My flesh and
my heart faileth: but God is the
strength of my heart, and my
portion for ever.”**

Proverbs 23:26

**“My son, give me thine heart, and let
thine eyes observe my ways.”**

Amos 5:21

**“I hate, I despise your feast days,
and I will not smell in your solemn
assemblies.”**

Colossians 3:23

**“And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily,
as to the Lord, and not unto men.”**

Marks of Ritualistic Religion

1. False Spirituality

2. Shallow Self-interest

1 Samuel 16:7

**“But the LORD said unto Samuel,
Look not on his countenance, ... for
the LORD seeth not as man seeth;
for man looketh on the outward
appearance, but the LORD looketh
on the heart.”**

Marks of Ritualistic Religion

- 1. False Spirituality**
- 2. Shallow Self-interest**
- 3. Ignorance of God's Word**

