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Worship Leader/Blogger Rich Kirkpatrick of Temecula, CA Releases 5-Song EP “Drink The Divine”!



Singer-songwriter, blogger, and worship leader **Rich Kirkpatrick** of **Temecula, California** releases on March 15 a five-song EP titled “**Drink The Divine**” produced by **On Being Human**. After traveling with the non-profit **Doma International** to Ethiopia last Spring, Rich was inspired to donate the online profits from this recording to help this organization that is about “empowering women and embracing children” in some of the most vulnerable situations from sex trafficking to orphan care.

Rich has been an effective worship leader, songwriter, blogger and pastor serving the local church. His music, deep in theology and musically cinematic, comes from the context of leading worship. Modern worship music today has the potential to tell stories, express our creeds, and bridge the generations but rarely dares to go there. Rich's music strives to do this against the odds. In "Drink the Divine" Rich artistically explores telling the story of our faith's history, authentic experience, and wrestling with grace.

“I wrote these five songs in the context of being a worship leader and worshiper. What is true religion and how does that come across in what we sing to God? My journey is not complete, but I am learning that much of what I thought was “true” was just a hollow piety, starving my life from the one who is my life. Jesus. I hope you discover with me the sacred place where the help that we need exists. Grace.”

- Rich Kirkpatrick

Here is what some of have been saying already about this recording:

"...I am struck with the depth of the lyric and the emotion, but even more so with Rich's courage in releasing a project that simply is what it is. The songs range in style and influence, with a thread of the theatrical woven throughout. In a culture where art is measured almost exclusively by its "commercial" viability, this music dares to demand the listener to actually listen..."

- Trent Smith, Worship Pastor/Recording Artist

"... It seems this EP was written from the heart of someone discovering more and more the beauty and the depth of loving and being loved by Jesus. I was encouraged by the lyrical truths & heart behind the EP "Drink the Divine"."

- Adam Herod, Worship Pastor/Songwriter/Blogger

"...Through his heartfelt lyrics, Rich boldly asks us all to think harder about serving each other as a our religion, rather than having religion as our religion. Through his extensive musical experience and ability to command the emotion of the instruments he directs, Rich boldly asks us all to feel deeper the love surrounding us..."

- Page Lynch, Filmmaker/Recording Artist

"With conviction in his voice, Rich pours out his heart into every melodious line and lyric.

As I continue to listen intently to each song, I'm captivated by the mature – yet humble – approach to follow Jesus in faith and action. This EP inspires me to not only continue to nurture my passion for songwriting, but more importantly draw me closer to my Redeemer and King."

- Anson Sexton, Worship Leader/Youth Pastor/Blogger

"What I love about this project is – it feels very honest. It's not contrived. Beautiful melodies, cool production, solid lyrics and a lot of heart. ...this is just great to listen to, it lifts me up. "Grace Found Me" is gorgeous, love the vocal. "Sacred Place" really does take me to a sacred space. I dig the whole project..."

- Rob Still, Worship Leader/Producer/Blogger

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