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## Does God matter? RN launches new religion and spirituality show *God Forbid*

ABC RN is launching *God Forbid*, a new weekly panel show on Sunday, February 12.

Hosted by **James Carleton**, *God Forbid* will focus on Australian religion and spirituality in all its complexity and diversity.

"Media coverage of religion tends to be scant, simplistic and sensationalised. We're going to share perspectives from across the political, cultural and economic spectrum and have fun doing it. God Forbid will not be boring!" said Carleton.

Each week Carleton will be joined by a straight-shooting panel covering everything from the news of the week to obscure religious rites and rituals.

At a time when religion is at the centre of so much that matters, *God Forbid* is the essential podcast and radio program for believers and non-believers alike.

Carleton is well known to RN audiences as a reporter on RN's *Breakfast* program. Specialising in national and international politics, especially the Middle East, he has reported for 7:30, 7:30 NSW and written for the *Sydney Morning Herald*.

## How to listen

Listen at <u>abc.net.au/radionational/godforbid</u>, the <u>ABC Radio App</u> or wherever you find your favourite podcasts. *God Forbid* will be released as a podcast on Fridays, and the program will air on RN each Sunday at 6:00am and 10:00pm, and Monday 2pm.

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