
SUNDAY WORSHIP GUIDE
MATTHEW 6:1-6, 16-17

Sermon On The Mount: Religious Hypocrisy
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One Thing:

- **We must remember that God is our Father who delights in His children**

Gospel Thinking:

1. Warning Against Hypocrisy

- vv. 1 – Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven
- The Message – Be especially careful when you are trying to be good so that you don't make a performance out of it. It might be good theater, but the God who made you won't be applauding
- Warning against performance-based devotion – to not be like the hypocrites

Jeremiah 17:9-10 – The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it? I the Lord search the heart and test the mind, to give every man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his deeds

2. Encouragement Towards Intimacy

- “Your Father who sees in secret will reward you”
- We fight against religious hypocrisy in our hearts by cultivating a greater intimacy with our heavenly Father

Gospel Living:

- 1. Examine our hearts**
- 2. Cultivate our intimacy**