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(Matthew 6:5)



The Lord Jesus Christ He was speaking here about the religious leaders, the teachers of the law and Pharisees who suppose to show the real interest toward God and toward the welfare of the people. But unfortunately they did not fulfill what the Lord wanted them to fulfill in their lives. Instead they have the following wrong motives and bad attitudes and actions.

1- Everything they do is done for men to see: The thing they do is not for God but to attract the attention of people about what they are doing. The motive is showing off and boasting and no more concern about God and His work. And that contradict the word of God that says, ***“Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.”*** (Colossians 3:23-24)

Also above contradict the following Scripture: ***“So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full. ³ But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴ so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.”*** (Matthew 6:2-4)

They make their phylacteries wide and the tassels on their garments long: It was the Lord command for them to make tassels to be reminded of what the word of God dictates and

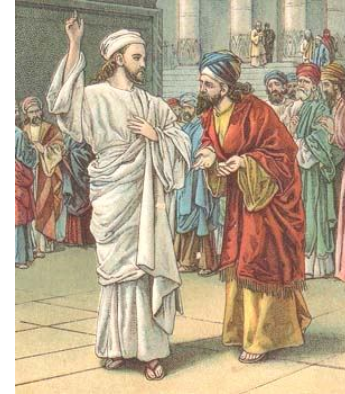
to do it but they are just were using it to show off. ³⁷ ***The LORD said to Moses, ³⁸ “Speak to the Israelites and say to them: ‘Throughout the generations to come you are to make tassels on the corners of your garments, with a blue cord on each tassel. ³⁹ You will have these tassels to look at and so you will remember all the commands of the LORD, that you may obey them and not prostitute yourselves by going after the lusts of your own hearts and eyes.”*** (Numbers 15:37-39) The same now at this time, people they know the bible very well but they don't obey the word of God; they just use the word of God for boasting to show that they know verses but what is the value if they will not obey and do and what the Word God says as we can read here: ***“²² Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. ²³ Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like a man who looks at his face in a mirror ²⁴ and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like.”***

What person you are then; the one who live to show off or you live to honour God. Consider the message, correct yourself and be faithful to God as you agree to pray.



My Prayer

Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins to give me eternal life. Lord I repent from pride, boasting and showing off. I commit myself to live my life with pure heart and pure motive unto you. Cleanse me Lord and lead me how to serve and live my life fully dedicated unto you, this all I ask and pray in Jesus name Amen.



“As it is, you boast and brag. All such boasting is evil.”

(James 4:16)

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“Be careful,” Jesus said to them. “Be on your guard against the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees.”

(Matthew 16:6)

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