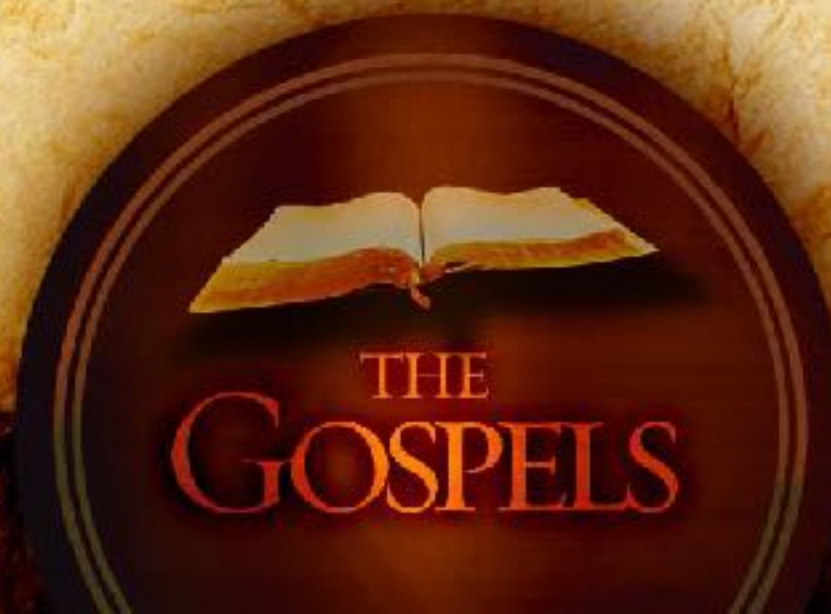




# MATTHEW

Who is YOUR King?!?





**Spotting a hypocrite before you  
finish doing your hair**



**Matthew 23:14, 25-26**





# *Main Question*

**Main Question for today:  
How do we stop being hypocrites?**





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houses, and for a pretense make long  
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Presenting a pure image while inwardly being sinful; caring more about the image than the reality





But those things which proceed out of the mouth come from the heart, and they defile a man. 19 For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies. 20 These are the things which defile a man, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile a man.”

Matthew 15:18-20





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# *Beatitudes vs. Woes*

Beatitude #1

Blessed are the poor in  
Spirit for theirs is the  
kingdom of heaven.

Woe #1

But woe to you...For you  
shut up the kingdom of  
heaven against men...





## *Beatitudes vs. Woes*

Beatitude #2

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Woe #2

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widows houses and for a  
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## *Beatitudes vs. Woes*

Beatitude #3

Blessed are the meek for  
they shall inherit the earth.

Woe #3

Woe...For you travel across  
land and sea to make a  
single proselyte, and when  
he is won, you make him  
twice as much a son of hell  
as yourselves.





## *Beatitudes vs. Woes*

### Beatitude #4

Blessed are those who  
hunger and thirst for  
righteousness for they shall  
be filled.

### Woe #4

Woe...Whoever swears by  
the temple, it is nothing;  
but whoever swears by the  
gold of the temple he  
obliged to perform it.





## *Beatitudes vs. Woes*

### Beatitude #5

Blessed are the merciful for  
they shall receive mercy.

### Woe #5

Woe... You pay tithe of...  
but you have neglected the  
weightier matters of the  
law: justice, mercy, and  
faith.





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### Beatitude #6

Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God.

### Woe #6

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## *Beatitudes vs. Woes*

### Beatitude #7

Blessed are the  
peacemakers for they shall  
be called sons of God.

### Woe #7

Woe...For you are like  
whitewashed tombs which  
appear beautiful on the  
outside, but inside are filled  
with dead men's bones and  
all uncleanness...





## *Beatitudes vs. Woes*

Beatitude #8

Blessed are those who are  
persecuted for  
righteousness' sake for  
theirs is the kingdom of  
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Woe #8

(Paraphrase) You and your  
father's killed the prophets.  
And wrath will come on  
you.





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Hypocrisy makes us go seeing God to spiritual blindness.





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We might become hypocrites in the way that we are seeking a good reputation or in projecting competence.





“The heart is deceitful above all things,  
And desperately wicked;  
Who can know it?

Jeremiah 17:9





“Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”

Luke 18:38





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