

King and Messiah Discussion Questions - Week 10

Describe a time you've seen someone go out of their way to make sure all the attention was on them.

Read Matthew 6:1-18

How does the hypocrite draw attention to himself in these verses?

How do we reconcile Jesus' encouragement of private discipline with his command to be salt and light in the world? What is the difference between what the hypocrite is doing and being light?

Why is seeking attention from other people such a temptation?

Read Colossians 3:17

Pick one or two of the roles you play in life (i.e. employee, boss, wife, etc.). How would your behavior change in those roles if you were to 'do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus'?

Spend a few minutes examining the Lord's Prayer in Matthew 6:9-13. What lessons on prayer can we learn from the model Jesus teaches?

Instead of repeating the prayer over and over, how can you use it as a guide for your own prayers?

What kind of reward were the hypocrites looking for?

The Father's reward is not specified in these verses. What other Scriptures might help us discern what Jesus may mean?

APPLICATION: Read Psalm 139:23-24. Use the verses as a call to prayer each day. Take time to intentionally allow God to examine your heart throughout the day.