

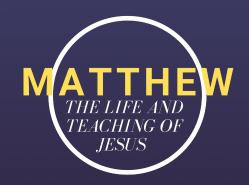


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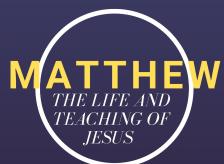


"Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.



"Jesus expects us to practice "acts of righteousness." He does not advocate this in order to earn entrance to the kingdom of heaven or to achieve advanced standing with the Father, but these acts are intentional ways of conforming the external expression of our lives to the inner work of God in our hearts."

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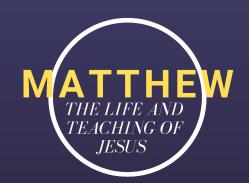
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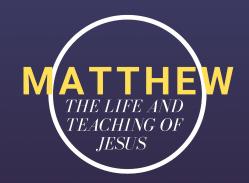
Three Examples of Jewish Piety

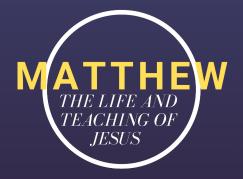
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 - a. giving to the needy (6:2–4)
 - b. praying (6:5–15)
 - c. fasting (6:16–18)
- 2. personal interior life (6:19–34),
- 3. interpersonal relational life (7:1–12)

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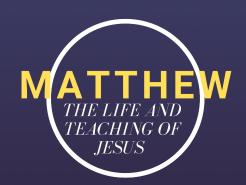


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