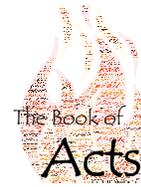


9. When we take on the role of judge, what are we saying about our relationships with God and others? How do we deal with our own issues while at the same time dealing with the poor guy with the speck in his eye?



Encounters with God
The Religious Hypocrites

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Acts 6:8-7:60

DOING LIFE TOGETHER

10. When you think of the plank in your own eye analogy, what comes to mind that you need to surrender and hand over to God this week?

11. We all need people in our lives who can lovingly help us with our sin. Do you have these people in your life? How are these relationships developed? How can this group help you with that?

Prayer Requests

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A personal encounter with God E_____ the D_____
U_____ of zeal for God . . . H_____ zeal must
P_____

This leads them to an Act of Hypocrisy

1. E_____ a lie
2. S_____ the lie
3. F_____ the accusation
4. Let his D_____ D_____ him

How do we keep our zeal from leading to an Act of Hypocrisy?

We must be F_____ of the H_____ S_____

What do I need to do with what I've heard today?

GROWTH GROUP HOMEWORK

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THINKING THINGS THROUGH

1. Hypocrisy is defined as “the practice of claiming to have moral standards or beliefs to which one’s own behavior does not conform.” What are some reasons a Christian might be labeled a hypocrite?

2. How closely would you say that you live by the principles and practices you preach?

DIGGING DEEPER

READ LUKE 6:39-40

3. In these verses, Jesus pointed to Himself as the true source of spiritual guidance. To what or whom do people mistakenly look for spiritual guidance?

4. What does it mean to be “fully trained” (v. 40)? How do you understand what Jesus meant by that statement?

5. What are some ways we can become “fully trained” to be like our teacher? What has Jesus taught you lately about this?

6. Why is becoming more and more like Jesus the most successful path away from hypocrisy?

READ LUKE 6:41-42

7. When are you most tempted to point out a fellow believer’s shortcomings? What motivates you to do so? Why is it so much easier to recognize the faults of someone else before your own?

8. What is the point of the speck and the plank (vv. 41-42)? Would you say you are good at following these directions? How have you gotten better as you have learned to follow the master?