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**What this message is about:**

Jesus begins to talk about how to authentically practice the spiritual disciplines of giving to the needy, prayer, and fasting.

**Purpose of this message:**

To encourage us to give in a way that is authentic and wins the applause of God.

**1. The General \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Mt. 6:1*

**2. Hypocritical Giving: Roll the \_\_\_\_\_**

*Mt. 6:2*

**3. Kingdom Giving: \_\_\_\_\_**

*Mt. 6:3-4*

**Next Step:**

Keep up the excellence in your giving. Excel still more by giving in response to the voice of the Holy Spirit, taking no self-righteous pleasure in it, but enjoying the affirmation of God that comes with it.

## **LOOKING BACK**

1 Read Mt. 6:1-4. Discuss the general idea for this entire section (Mt. 6:1-18).

2 Compare what you see Jesus saying here with what he says in Mt. 5:16. What is the difference between the good works that he wants to be seen in 5:16 and the giving that he says to be done in secret in 6:2-4?

3 What is a hypocrite? Compare this passage with Mt. 23:5-7. What are different ways we can fall into hypocrisy?

4 What does it mean that those who give to be seen by people have received their reward in full?

5 What do you think is the reward given by God?