

“Stop Pretending”

Matthew 23:25-28

1. Help understanding hypocrisy.

- Hypocrisy is not the _____ between what we do and what we wish we did.

“For the good that I want, I do not do, but I practice the very evil that I do not want. But if I am doing the very thing I do not want, I am no longer the one doing it, but sin which dwells in me.”
Romans 7:19-20 (NASB)

- Hypocrisy is the _____ between what we show outwardly and who we are inwardly.

“They profess to know God, but by their deeds they deny Him, being detestable and disobedient and worthless for any good deed.” Titus 1:16 (NASB)

- Hypocrisy is a _____ sin that demands _____ attention.

2. Help for Hypocrites

“And Jesus answered and said to them, “It is not those who are well who need a physician, but those who are sick. “I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.” Luke 5:31-32 (NASB)

“He who conceals his transgressions will not prosper, But he who confesses and forsakes them will find compassion.” Proverbs 28:13 (NASB)

“Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. Point out anything in me that offends you, and lead me along the path of everlasting life.”
Psalm 139:23-24 (NLT2)