



A Worship Study Guide for Individuals, Groups and Families for the week of February 6, 2022

Your Father & Giving

This week, Pastor Steve Shelby preached from [Matthew 6:1-4](#)

“¹Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven. ²Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ³But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.”

- What **contrast does Jesus set up** in these verses?
- For Jesus, what is the **problem with hypocrisy**?
- What does Jesus mean when he says, “**when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing**” (3)?
- What **temptations do you experience** in giving? Why?
- It is important to note that Jesus repeatedly refers to God as “your Father”. **If you know God as your Father, how does that help you to repent of hypocrisy?**
- The One teaching here about giving gave everything for us, even when we were at our most needy. His gift was truly only seen by His Father. **How does the generosity of God impact your giving?**
- **Pray together** in light of this week’s passage.

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