Series "Behold Your King" "The Truth With Tears" Matthew 23:13-39 Part-100

Matt 23:13-16

Matt 23:23

Matt 23:25

Matt 23:27

Matt 23:29

Matt 23:37

Luke 19:41

Isa. 5:8-23 there are six woes; Habakkuk 2:6-20 there are five woes

Woe – is a "lament or wail, a cry of regret, compassion, sorrow, and concern for the final end for evil people"

Matt 23:1-12 The message to the multitudes and His disciples

Matt 23:13-39 The message to the Scribes and Pharisees

1. Verses 13-36 - The Eight Woe's

2. Verses 37-39 - Tears Of The King

1. Verses 13-36 - The Eight Woe's:

1. Verse 13 – For Making Salvation Hard for Other People:

Woe to you - 8X

Hypocrites – 7X "a play actor, to speak from underneath"

Blind guides – 2X; Fools and blind – 2X serpents and a generation of vipers

2. Verse 14 – For Using Religion As A Front:

Mark 12:40; Luke 20:47

pretense - "an outward showing, a cloak, under color"

Matt 18:6

3. Verse 15 - For Corrupting Converts:

Romans 10:2-3

Hell - The Greek word Gehenna, "eternal damnation"

"The more converted, the more perverted"

4. Verses 16-22 – For The Trifles of Religion:

Matt 5:34

Matt 5:37

Matt 23:17

Fools – Greek word "Moros" – we get our word "Moron" – blockhead, it describes a person's character; void of perception, dull, out there"

Matt 23:18-22

2 Tim 4:2-4

5. Verses 23-24 – For Neglecting What Is Important:

Deut 14:22-29; Lev 27:30

Micah 6:8

Matt 23:24

6. Verses 25-26 - For Self-indulgence:

(Lack of Holiness)

Matt 23:26

7. Verses 27-28 – For Wickedness Within:

dead men's bones and all uncleanness; they were whitewashed without but corrupt within

Matt 23:28

outwardly appear righteous to men; their religion was merely external, it looks good

full of hypocrisy and lawlessness; this hypocrisy and lawlessness should have driven them to seek cleansing

8. Verses 29-36 – For The Murder of God's Prophets:

Matt 23:29-31

you are sons of those who murdered the prophets; The Pharisees and Scribes were the murderous sons of their fathers

Matt 23:32-33

Matt 3:7

Matt 23:34-35

Gen 4:8; 2 Chron. 24:21

Matt 23:36

2. Verses 37-39 - Tears Of The King:

Luke 19:41

Matt 23:38-39

Application:

- 1. Jesus' usage of the terms Hypocrites; blind guides; fools that are blind; serpents; a generation of vipers; Shows how dangerous ungodly spiritual leaders can be.
- 2. God takes no pleasure in the destruction of the wicked. Jesus, with tears and even a promise of sending future messengers, speaks these words.
- 3. Need to examine our hearts to make sure that we too are not "majoring on the minors", that we are not blind guides.
- 4. This passage teaches that even though God reaches out to us, we can close Him out.