

**Matthew's Gospel "The Sermon On The Mount"**  
**"The Christian Investment"**  
**Matthew 6:1-4**  
**Part-24**

**Outline of The Sermon on The Mount:**

**Matthew 5** - Our Moral Righteousness Before Men:

**Matthew 5:3-12** Christian Character:

**Matthew 5:13-16** Christian Influence:

**Matthew 5:17-48** Christian Righteousness:

**Matthew 6:1-18** **The Christian Devotion Before God**: He covers

Three Topics of Our Devotion To God:

1. Christian and Giving - V. 1-4
2. Christian and Prayer - V. 5-15
3. Christian and Fasting - V. 16-18

Hypocrisy is referred to 3 times:

1. Hypocrisy in Giving - V. 2
2. Hypocrisy in Praying - V. 5
3. Hypocrisy in Fasting - V. 16

**We will look at 3 areas in our study:**

1. Verse – 1 Warning For Investors:
2. Verse – 2 Motives For Investors:
3. Verses – 3-4 Method For Investors:

**1. Verse – 1 Warning For Investors:**

**Matthew 6:1**

*"Beware – "to bring to, bring near, to turn the mind to, to be attentive"*

**Of practicing your righteousness** - speaks of outward righteous deeds – The term **alms** that is used by the **(KJV)** instead of **righteousness** limits our deeds to just giving, though it does include alms.

**Matthew 6:1** is the Key Verse of this new section:

**1 John 2:29**

**before men to be noticed by them; "seen by, to gaze at, to look at" (Lit. show)**

**Matthew 5:16**

- **2 Corinthians 5:10**
- **Hebrews 11:26**
- **Colossians 3:23-24**

The Source of Charity Is A Relationship:

**Giving Before Christ Came:**

- Judaism was the exception to charity as the Old Testament taught compassion for the poor.
  - **Proverbs 19:17**
  - **Proverbs 29:7**
  - **Psalms 41:1**

**2. Verse – 2 Motives For Investors:**

- **Matthew 6:2**
  - **Alms** – means *"a deed of mercy or pity"*
- **Leviticus 19:9-10**
- **Deuteronomy 15:11**

We Must First Be Given To The Lord:

- **Philippians 4:16-17**
- **2 Corinthians 8:1-5**

Don't Tell Others About Your Giving: do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites – *"Actors, one who plays a part."* Literally *"to speak from underneath"*

Truly I say to you, they have their reward in full. Reward in full - technical term meaning *"Payment in full, to give a receipt"*  
Completely paid for (don't expect anything else)

We Must Be Spiritual In Our Giving:

**Galatians 6:6-10**

**3. Verses – 3-4 Method For Investors:**

Don't Tell Yourself About Your Giving:

- **Matthew 6:4**

Our Giving is Sacrificial:

- **2 Corinthians 8:9**
- **Luke 6:38**

**Application:**

1. Beware of practicing your righteousness before men to be noticed by them:
2. We Must First Be Given To The Lord:
3. Don't Tell Others About Your Giving:
4. We Must Be Spiritual In Our Giving:
5. Don't Tell Yourself About Your Giving:
6. Our Giving is Sacrificial: