

Sermon Notes

Do What God Says, Not What *They* Do

Matthew 23:1-4

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Text sermon questions, during the sermon, to (602) 824-8030

What the Pharisees teach right, do that. (vs. 1-3a)

As far as the teaching is God's commands,
Christ-followers should obey.

What the Pharisees do wrong, don't be like them. (vs. 3b-4)

They don't obey God's commands.

You, do what God says.

Don't be like them in just putting on a religious front.

What the Pharisees do wrong, don't be like them. (continued)

They lay heavy burdens on with their traditions/rules.

Don't be like them.

Additional encouragement

Share your thoughts and ideas, but don't burden.

Lift some fingers to help.

What is your response to this? Discuss it with someone today.

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**Application questions for 2-22-15 sermon
Mathew 23:1-4**

How do you want to be different than the Pharisees?

Is just knowing God's word what God wants from us?
If you say, "No," then what is deficient about that?
(He wants us to obey it)

Who are you to obey? Teachers? God?

What religious behaviors do you do, that you think, in-and-of-themselves are pleasing to God?

What makes any behavior pleasing to God?
(it's that He asked us to do it, and we obey)

What kind of example, of living God's ways, do you think you are being to those around you...
non-christians, your brothers in Christ, your kids?

Are there any religious rules you are expecting others to live by, that are not expected of them by
God (God has not taught them in the Bible)?

Do you have any expectations of the church, which you have let bother you, that you have not
communicated to the appropriate leadership?

What are you going to do about that? And are you willing to help fix it or achieve it, if
the leadership thinks you are right?

What perspective should you have on the things you want in the church, and your
opinions about the church?