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Message: No Quarter

Text: Matthew 23

Introduction

Avoid what Jesus finds so despicable. And see the way back.

I. Laying It Out (vv. 1-12)

Don't be like them

II. Ramping It Up (vv. 13-33)

Horrible hypocrisy

III. Shutting It Down (vv. 34-39)

Judgment and Mercy

“... looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.”

(Hebrews 12:2)

Conclusion

- What heavy burdens did the Pharisees put on people? Do we do the same?
- Why is the Christian marked by humility? Why does it matter?
- Why is Jesus so angry at the religious? Why not so much at other sinners?
- What do you learn about Jesus from his switch to personal address at the end?