

**“Living in The Light of God’s Presence”**  
**Introduction**  
**Matthew 6**

- New section—life in the presence of God
  - Matt. 6:4, 6, 8, 18, 26, 30, 32
  - Psalm 139:1-3
  - Hebrews 4:13
  - Mark 1:15
  - Phil. 4:5
  - John 14:16-18
- Review 5:3-48
  - Christian characteristics vs. 3-12
  - How to behave in society vs. 13-16
  - How you are to honor God’s law (Word) vs. 22-48
- Chapter 6
  - “Here we have a picture of a Christian going on to live that life in this world; and the greatest thing ever emphasized is that he or she does it all in the presence of God.” Martin Lloyd-Jones
  - John 17:16-18
- The whole of the Christian life shown in 2 main aspects
  - 1) Religions aspect—direct relationship with God
    - Represented in 3 illustrations vs. 2-18
      - The way of mercy—compassion—loving others
      - The nature of prayer and contact with God
      - The way we should mortify the flesh
  - 2) Mundane aspect—The cares of the world
    - Represented in verses 19-34
    - Contentment—purpose—worry—what you serve

Verse 1 is the introduction to the message of living in the light of God's presence.

"Beware of practicing your righteousness before men to be noticed by them; otherwise you have no reward with your Father who is in heaven.

Matthew 6:1

Matt. 5:16; Eph. 5:7-10

Hypocrites

Matt. 5:2, 5, 16; 6:22-23; 7:21-23; 23:25-28

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John 8:29