

References and/or Scripture Quoted
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Matthew 23:1-12

Pharisaism Exposed

¹Then Jesus spoke to the crowds and to His disciples, ²saying: “The scribes and the Pharisees have seated themselves in the chair of Moses; ³therefore all that they tell you, do and observe, but do not do according to their deeds; for they say *things* and do not do *them*. ⁴They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men’s shoulders, but they themselves are unwilling to move them with *so much as* a finger. ⁵But they do all their deeds to be noticed by men; for they broaden their ^[a]phylacteries and lengthen the tassels *of their garments*. ⁶They love the place of honor at banquets and the chief seats in the synagogues, ⁷and respectful greetings in the market places, and being called Rabbi by men. ⁸But do not be called Rabbi; for One is your Teacher, and you are all brothers. ⁹Do not call *anyone* on earth your father; for One is your Father, He who is in heaven. ¹⁰Do not be called ^[b]leaders; for One is your Leader, *that is*, Christ. ¹¹But the greatest among you shall be your servant. ¹²Whoever exalts himself shall be humbled; and whoever humbles himself shall be exalted.

Footnotes:

- a. Matthew 23:5 I.e. small cases containing Scripture texts worn on the left arm and forehead for religious purposes
- b. Matthew 23:10 Or *teachers*

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