

SYFC Staff Meeting: Do are you trying to impress? (Matthew 6:1-18)

Introduction (v1)

1. When you give to the needy (v2-4)

(c.f. *Deuteronomy 15:7-11*)

2. When you pray (v5-15)

(c.f. *Ephesians 4:32, Matthew 18:23-35*)

3. When you fast (v16-18)

(c.f. *Nehemiah 1:4*)

Conclusion

(c.f. *Jeremiah 17:9*)

Reflection

- a. What is my motivation when carrying out my religious duties? Am I pleasing God or man?
- b. What is my attitude towards prayer? Am I using prayer as a means to manipulate God to act for me?
- c. Are the concerns about God's name, kingdom and will my concerns when I pray? Am I praying that I may understand more and more about God's holiness in my life and the need to submit to His authority as my King?
- d. Who are the people I need to forgive? Pray for God's help to forgive these people.