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Matthew 6:1-4

## SEEKING MAN'S APPROVAL OR GOD'S

### I. Introduction

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### II. Review Of Matthew Chapter 5

Matthew 5:1-12 - The Beattitudes –  
The Christians Character

Matthew 5:13-16 - Salt and Light -  
The Christians Influence

Matthew 5:17-48 - The Law and Christ  
The Christians Righteousness

Matthew 6:1-34 - Good Works  
The Christians Motivation

### III. Man's Approval Or God's:

"Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven."  
Matthew 5:16

"Be careful not to do your 'acts of righteousness' before men, to be seen by them." Matthew 6:1

### IV. Unpacking The Passage:

#### A. The Warning:

"**Be careful** not to do your 'acts of righteousness' before men, **to be seen by them..... If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.**"  
Matthew 6:1

## **B. Giving In Secret:**

### **1. The Wrong Way To Give:**

- **To Be Honored By Other People**

“So when you give to the needy, **do not announce it** with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full.” Matthew 6:2

### **2. The Right Way To Give:**

- **In Secret**

“But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.”  
Matthew 6:3-4

## **V. Conclusion And Application:**