

Russell Howard Lead Pastor Sunday Morning July 27, 2025

MATTHEW The KING has Come

"Discipline In Secret" (Matthew 6:1-6, pew Bible page 811)

Earlier in this very sermon, Jesus has encouraged His followers to live out their righteousness in a way that others can see. Here, He commands quite the opposite. So, what are we to understand about the first two of these three "secret" disciplines?

- I. Words of Warning (v. 1)
 - A. The content of the warning (v. 1a)
 - 1. Not inactivity
 - 2. Not universal secrecy (see 5:14-16)
 - 3. But intentionality
 - B. The consequence of the warning
 - 1. A quicker reward, but
 - 2. A lesser reward

- II. Grandstand Giving (vv. 2-4)
 - A. The assumed action
 - B. The successful show
 - C. The rapid results
 - D. The affirmed alternative
- III. Performance Praying (vv. 5-6)
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