What Makes Your Christian Life Superior to the World?

Matthew 5:17-20

# I. What was the Righteousness of the Scribes & Pharisees?

A. “Righteousness” = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

B. Who were these people? - v20

1. The teachers of the Law = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. The Pharisees = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

C. What was the Law? - v18

1. The Old Testament was God’s B\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for the Jews.

2. What was the “smallest letter” & “least stroke of a pen”?

3. How successful were they? - Romans 9:31.

4. The Lord fulfilled this Law! - Colossians 2:13-14;

Galatians 3:24; Romans 10:4; Jeremiah 31:33.

D. What makes your life superior to them?

# II. Your Life has the Right Motivation

A. Their motivation was the P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of men.

1. When they G\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - Matthew 6:2.

2. When they P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - Matthew 6:5.

3. When they F\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - Matthew 6:16.

B. Your motivation must be for the P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God.

1. What’s your motivation for giving? - Matthew 6:3-4;

Mark 12:41-44.

2. What’s your motivation for prayers? - Matthew 6:6;

Luke 18:9-14.

3. What’s your motivation for fasting? - Matthew 6:17.

# III. Your Life has the Right Nature

A. Their good deeds were often D\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. - Matthew 23:24.

B. Your good deeds should come from your A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

- I Samuel 16:7.

# IV. Your Life has the Right Source

A. The source of the Pharisee’s righteousness was the L\_\_\_\_\_ & the

T\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

1. The problem with this source - Galatians 2:16.

2. The problem with the Pharisees - Matthew 23:3.

B. What must your source be? - Romans 3:21-24.

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