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“Let Your Faith Be Authentic”
Matthew 6:1-8

A life of faith in God means that you are surrendering and yielding to the power of God, and it is His divine power that you want to lead and guide you through this experience we call life. Sometimes it's God's power that we don't understand or even dare to disagree with, but since we are yielding to Him, we must try our absolute best to be obedient. Therefore, if you choose to be a Christian, be a real Christian. If you preach, preach the gospel rightly dividing the word of God, whatever your assignment is, be sure to be real in all your endeavors. There is no room for fake news and for sure no room for fake faith.

This is the lesson that Jesus speaks about for those whose intentions are to please the crowd, its listeners, and observers. Their faith is not authentic, real, genuine, or sincere. For their reward is feeling that they have pleased the crowd when their real concern should be whether they have pleased God. When you give gifts to the poor, or when you pray, neither of those actions are to be done in a sense of self-gratification, but rather authentic acts of faith. For what we do in private are the things that God will reward in public. God wants us and our faith to be authentic, real, genuine, and sincere.

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