

MATTHEW 23

MATTHEW 23:1

1 ¶ Then spake Jesus to the multitude, and to his disciples,

MATTHEW 23:2

2 Saying, The *scribes* and the *Pharisees* sit in *Moses'* *seat*:

MATTHEW 23:3

3 *All* therefore *whatsoever* they *bid* you *observe*, *that* *observe* and *do*; but *do not* ye *after* their *works*: for they *say*, and *do not*.

MATTHEW 23:4

4 For they *bind* *heavy* *burdens* and *grievous* to be *borne*, and *lay* *them* *on* *men's* *shoulders*; but they *themselves* *will not* *move* them with one of their *fingers*.

MATTHEW 23:5

5 But *all* their *works* they *do* for to be *seen* of *men*: they *make* *broad* their *phylacteries*, and *enlarge* the *borders* of their *garments*,

MATTHEW 23:6

6 And *love* the *uppermost* *rooms* *at* *feasts*, and the *chief* *seats* in the *synagogues*,

MATTHEW 23:7

7 And *greetings* in the *markets*, and to be *called* of *men*, *Rabbi*, *Rabbi*.

MATTHEW 23:8

8 But be not ye *called* *Rabbi*: for *one* is *your* *Master*, *even* *Christ*; and *all* ye are *brethren*.

MATTHEW 23:9

9 And *call* *no man* *your* *father* upon the *earth*: for *one* is *your* *Father*, *which* is in *heaven*.

MATTHEW 23:10

10 *Neither* be ye *called* *masters*: for *one* is *your* *Master*, *even* *Christ*.

MATTHEW 23:11

11 But he that is *greatest* among you shall be *your* *servant*.

MATTHEW 23:12

12 And _whosoever shall _exalt _himself shall be _abased; and he that shall _humble _himself shall be _exalted.

MATTHEW 23:13

13 ¶ But _woe unto you, _scribes and _Pharisees, _hypocrites! for ye _shut up the _kingdom of _heaven _against _men: for ye _neither _go in *yourselves*, _neither _suffer ye them that are _entering to _go in.

MATTHEW 23:14

14 _Woe unto you, _scribes and _Pharisees, _hypocrites! for ye _devour _widows' _houses, and for a _pretence _make _long _prayer: _therefore ye shall _receive the _greater _damnation.

MATTHEW 23:15

15 _Woe unto you, _scribes and _Pharisees, _hypocrites! for ye _compass _sea and _land to _make _one _proselyte, and _when he is _made, ye _make him _twofold more the _child of _hell than _yourselves.

MATTHEW 23:16

16 _Woe unto you, ye _blind _guides, _which _say, _Whosoever shall _swear by the _temple, it is _nothing; but _whosoever shall _swear by the _gold of the _temple, he is a _debtor!

MATTHEW 23:17

17 Ye _fools and _blind: for _whether is _greater, the _gold, _or the _temple that _sanctifieth the _gold?

MATTHEW 23:18

18 And, _Whosoever shall _swear by the _altar, it is _nothing; but _whosoever _swareth by the _gift that is upon it, he is _guilty.

MATTHEW 23:19

19 Ye _fools and _blind: for _whether *is* _greater, the _gift, _or the _altar that _sanctifieth the _gift?

MATTHEW 23:20

20 _Whoso _therefore shall _swear by the _altar, _swareth by it, and by _all things _thereon.

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21 And _whoso shall _swear by the _temple, _swareth by it, and by him that _dwelleth therein.

MATTHEW 23:22

22 And he that shall swear by heaven, sweareth by the throne of God, and by him that sitteth thereon.

MATTHEW 23:23

23 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.

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24 Ye blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel.

MATTHEW 23:25

25 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess.

MATTHEW 23:26

26 Thou blind Pharisee, cleanse first that which is within the cup and platter, that the outside of them may be clean also.

MATTHEW 23:27

27 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness.

MATTHEW 23:28

28 Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.

MATTHEW 23:29

29 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because ye build the tombs of the prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous,

MATTHEW 23:30

30 And say, If we had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets.

MATTHEW 23:31

31 Wherefore ye be witnesses unto yourselves, that ye are the children of them which killed the prophets.

MATTHEW 23:32

32 _Fill ye up _then the _measure of _your _fathers.

MATTHEW 23:33

33 Ye _serpents, ye _generation of _vipers, _how can ye _escape the _damnation of _hell?

MATTHEW 23:34

34 ¶ _Wherefore, _behold, I _send unto you _prophets, and _wise men, and _scribes: and *some* of them ye shall _kill and _crucify; and *some* of them shall ye _scourge in _your _synagogues, and _persecute *them* from _city to _city:

MATTHEW 23:35

35 That upon you may _come _all the _righteous _blood _shed upon the _earth, from the _blood of _righteous _Abel unto the _blood of _Zacharias _son of _Barachias, _whom ye _slew _between the _temple and the _altar.

MATTHEW 23:36

36 _Verily I _say unto you, _All _these things shall _come upon _this _generation.

MATTHEW 23:37

37 O _Jerusalem, _Jerusalem, *thou* that _killest the _prophets, and _stonest them which are _sent unto thee, how _often _would I have _gathered thy _children _together, _even as a _hen _gathereth her _chickens _under *her* _wings, and ye _would not!

MATTHEW 23:38

38 _Behold, _your _house is _left unto you _desolate.

MATTHEW 23:39

39 For I _say unto you, Ye shall not _see me _henceforth, _till ye shall _say, _Blessed *is* he that _cometh in the _name of the _Lord.