

Pretentious and Selfless Contrasted

Mark 12:38-44

(series #67)

Intro: Why is there hypocrisy in the church?

- Satan plants tares among the wheat

- Even true believers can slip into hypocrisy

- We all want to look spiritual - Matthew 15:3-8

I. The Warning of Jesus about Hypocrisy v. 38

- A. Falsehood is difficult to see

- B. Religious leaders exalt themselves
 1. They go around in long robes
 2. They love greetings in the market

II. The Description Given by Jesus vv. 39-40

- A. They love to be noticed

- B. They devour widows' houses

- C. They make long prayers

III. The Contrast of the Widow vv. 41-44

- A. She gave two mites

- B. She gave more than other by giving all

- C. She was a victim of the religious leaders

Conclusion: the warning to us - Matthew 6:1