

The New Testament

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

Acts

Romans

1 & Il Corinthians

Galatians

Ephesians

Philippians

Colossians

1 & II Thessalonians

1 & Il Timothy

Titus

Philemon

Hebrews

James

1& II Peter

I, II, & III John

Jude

Revelation

Beware: pay attention, be cautious

Practice: a patterned way of behaving

Righteousness: the spectrum of doing
good works

Hypocrite: a false piety with the hope of being praised for it

- I. A 'good Pharisee' needs to be <u>seen</u>:
 A. <u>Giving</u> alms to the poor (not a tithe)
 B. <u>Praying</u> in synagogues and on street corners
 - C.And Fasting

- II. When we do such things in order to be seen, "...they <u>cease</u> to be 'righteousness'" (Lenski).
 - A. Do them to be seen <u>**OR**</u> trusting God sees.
 - B. The difference between looking for credit from people or for opportunity to join God
 - C. A hypocrite feels <u>slighted</u> if not recognized by people.

III. There is a <u>right</u> way to practice righteousness.

A.DO as invisibly as possible.

B.When what you do is **seen**, the **glory** always goes to God.

- Be <u>generous</u> with those in need.
- Be <u>satisfied</u> to have an audience of One.
- Be <u>desperate</u> for an uncomfortable intimate connection.

