

## SEQUOIA NOTES

### Today's Sequoia Message...

#### The Reward of Giving

With Jeremy Vasic  
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Matthew 6:1-4 “Watch out! Don’t do your good deeds publicly, to be admired by others, for you will lose the reward from your Father in heaven. <sup>2</sup> When you give to someone in need, don’t do as the hypocrites do—blowing trumpets in the synagogues and streets to call attention to their acts of charity! I tell you the truth, they have received all the reward they will ever get. <sup>3</sup> But when you give to someone in need, don’t let your left hand know what your right hand is doing. <sup>4</sup> Give your gifts in private, and your Father, who sees everything, will reward you.

**The warning “Watch out” is about righteousness.**

**Giving is a part of full Kingdom life.**

**Hypocrite = Actor.**

**It is not the outward act that is most important, but the posture of the heart.**

**Secret giving is a way of ensuring that our giving is done for the right reasons.**

**Big Idea: Experience the reward of intimacy through God-honouring giving.**

**Giving is more about what it does within than what it does outside of us.**

**You are the glory of God.**

**“What is it about this deed that brings me pleasure?”**



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