

Who Shall I Fear?

Luke 12:1-12

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In the meantime...?

How to avoid the contagion of deadly hypocrisy

1. Maintaining the **right view of God** will help us resist hypocrisy. 12:2-10.
 - a. **Fear** the **Father** through reverent obedience. V.2-7.
 - i. God will **uncover** what is hidden. V.2-3.
 - ii. God will **cast hypocrites** into hell. V.3-4.
 - b. **Confess** the **Son** and openly follow Him V.8-9.
 - i. Confession of Christ on earth is **required**.
 - ii. Denial of Christ on earth is **unthinkable**.
 - c. **Respond** to the **Holy Spirit** and do not resist him. V.10.
 - i. Those that **spoke a word** against Christ could be forgiven.
 - ii. To **blaspheme** the Holy Spirit could not be forgiven.
2. Understanding God's view of us will help us **resist hypocrisy** V.6-7.
 - a. We are of **infinite value** to God!
 - b. The **details of our life** are known and even determined by God.
3. Claiming God's **provision for us** will help us resist hypocrisy. V.11-12.
 - a. The Holy Spirit has not left us when we find ourselves **under attack**.
 - b. The Holy Spirit will fill our mouths with eloquence in the moments we **face persecution**.

How much of a treasure is the Holy Spirit?

The costs of following Christ are indeed **real**; the cost of rejecting Christ is **eternal**.