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**“What Can a False Teacher Expect
from God?”**

MATTHEW 23:13-36



1. False teachers have no authority (vs. 1-2).
2. False teachers lack integrity (vs. 3).
3. False teachers lack sympathy (vs. 4).
4. False teachers are unholy (vs. 5).
5. False teachers are prideful (vs. 6-7).
6. False teachers pursue positions and titles (vs. 8-10).
7. False teachers won't serve (vs. 11-12).

7 Characteristics of False Teachers



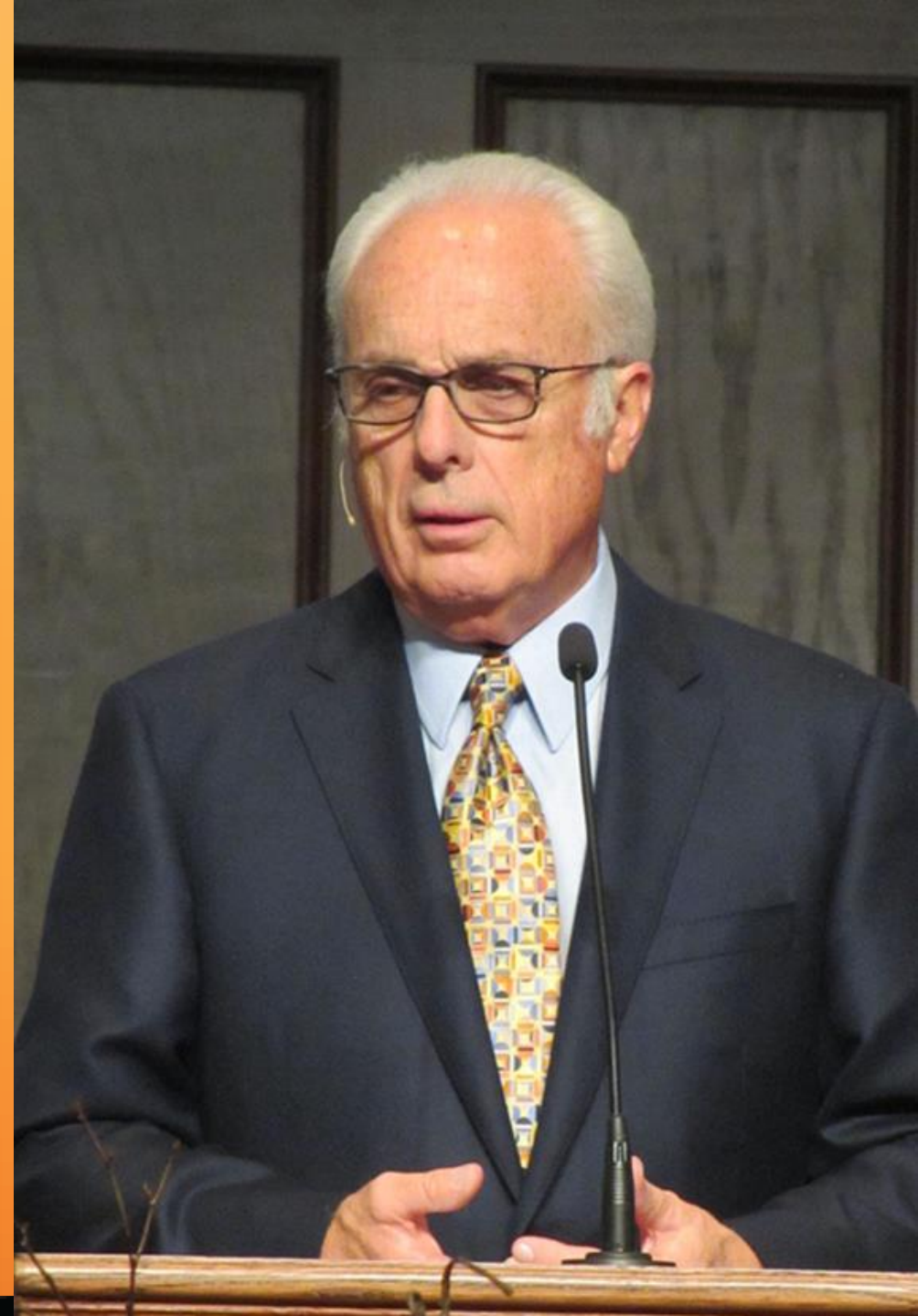
KEY POINT:

A false teacher will not escape
God's judgment.



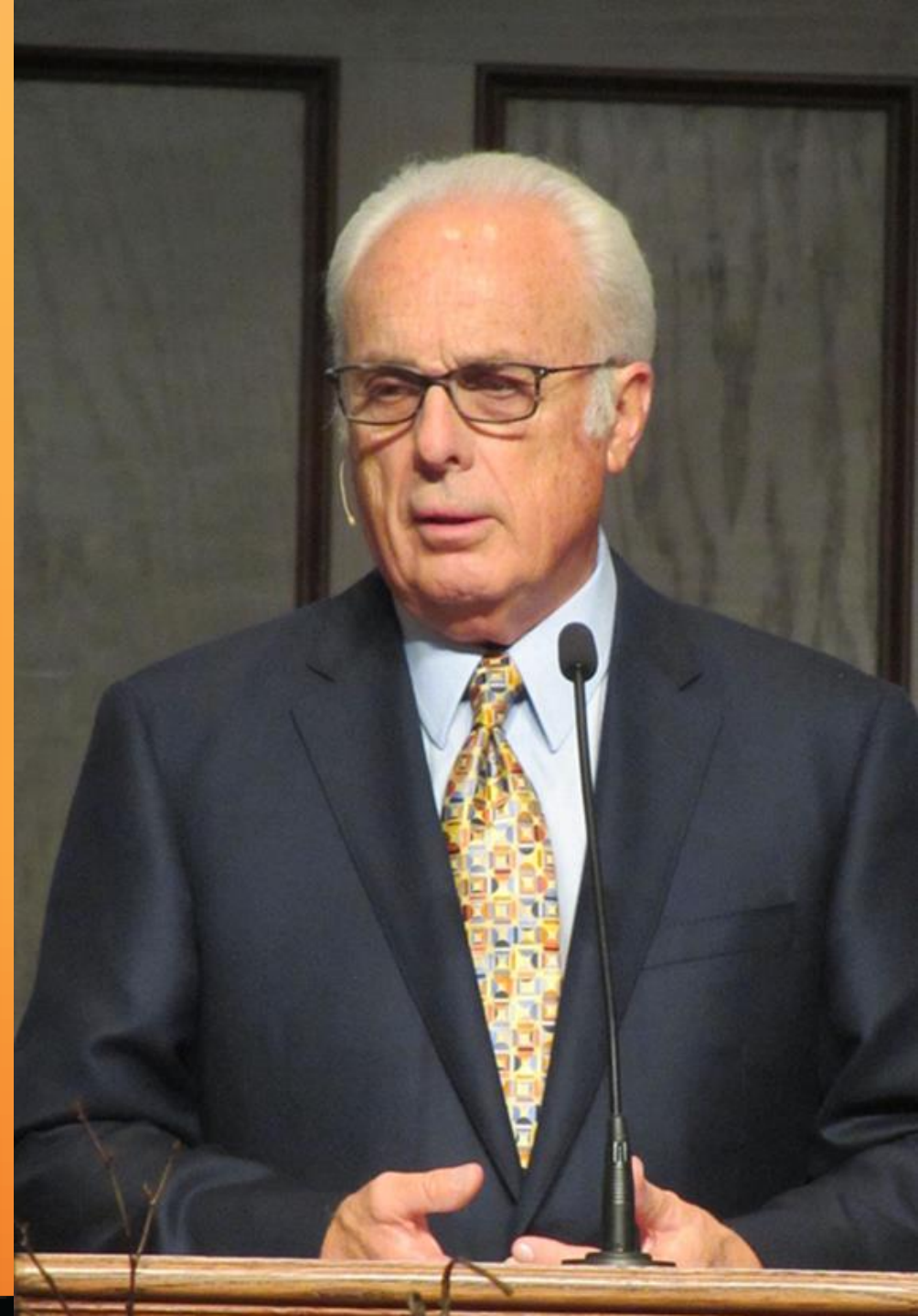
“Matthew 23 is one of the most serious passages in Scripture. Jesus here makes the word hypocrite a synonym for scribe and for Pharisee. He calls them sons of hell, blind guides, fools, robbers, self-indulgent, ...

John MacArthur,
Commentary on Ephesians



“... whitewashed tombs,
full of hypocrisy and
lawlessness, serpents, vipers,
and persecutors and
murderers of God’s people.
He uttered every syllable with
absolute self-control but with
devastating intensity.”

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- An onomatopoeia - “a word that phonetically imitates, resembles, or suggests the sound it is describing” (e.g., sizzle, buzz)
- Means “horror, distress, grief”
- A warning of certain doom. The opposite of blessing.
- 7 woes (vs. 13, 15-16, 23, 25, 27, 29)

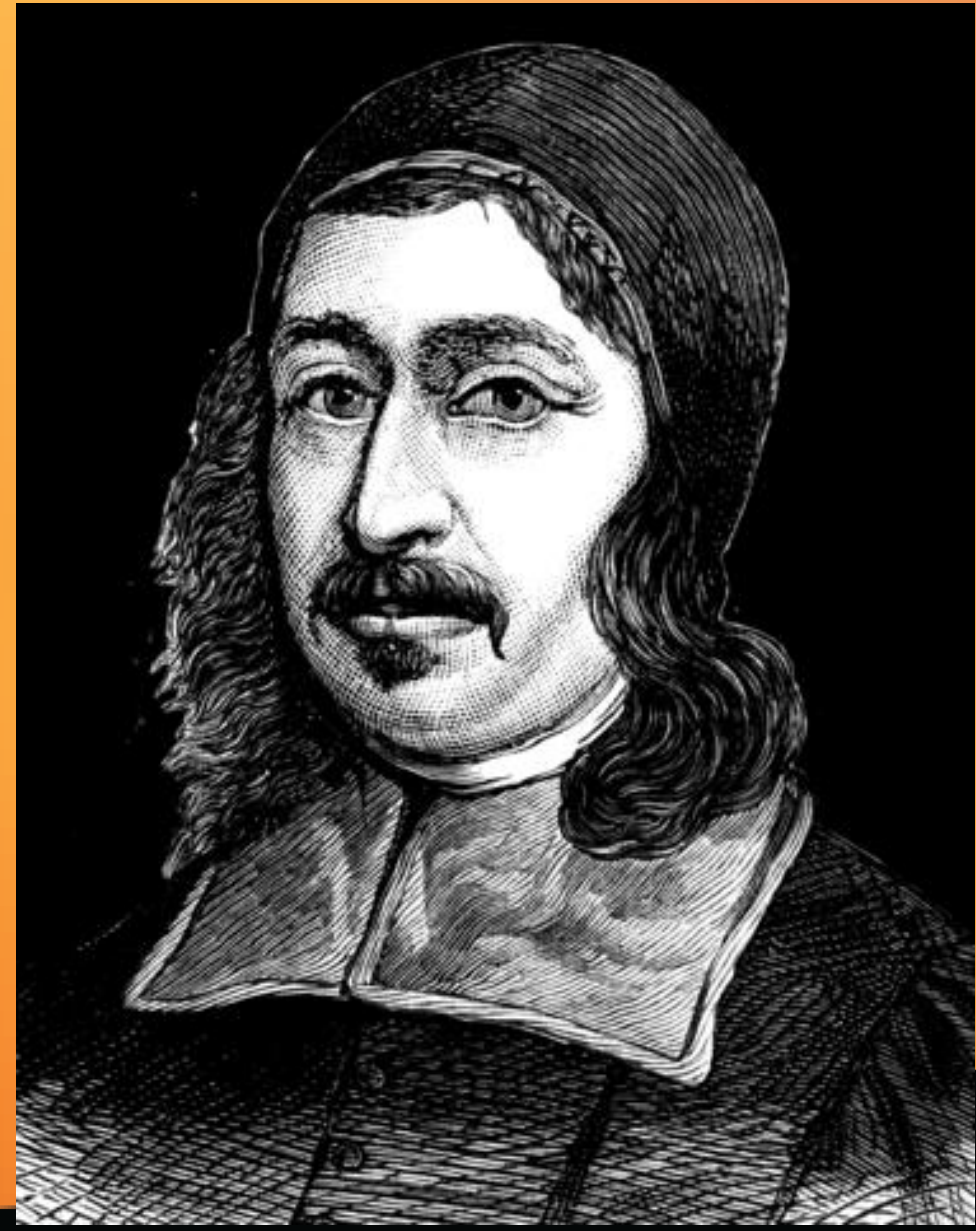
“Woe”



Richard Baxter

“Men would sooner believe that the gospel is from heaven, if they saw more such effects of it upon the hearts and lives of those who profess it.”

The Reformed Pastor



1. Because of their exclusion (vs. 13)

**Why False Teachers Should
Expect Cursing from God**



- Matthew 6:6 - when Jesus tells us to shut the door and pray in a room so that no one can see or hear.
- Matthew 25:10 - when a description is given for a bride and groom entering a room on their wedding night and then shutting that door.
- Acts 5:23 - describes a prison door that has been locked.

*“Shut the kingdom of heaven
in people’s faces”*



Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

John 14:6



*“Which of the two did the will of his father?”
They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them,
“Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the
prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you.
For John came to you in the way of ...”*

Matthew 21:31-32



*“... righteousness, and you did not believe him,
but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him.
And even when you saw it, you did not afterward
change your minds and believe him.”*

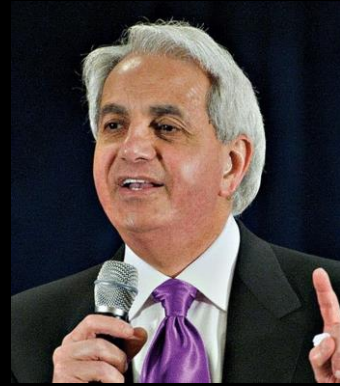
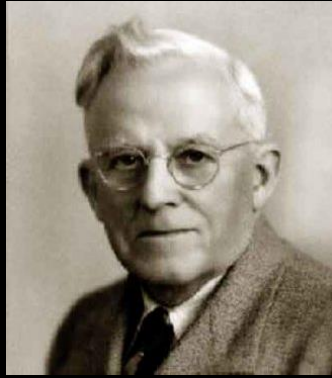
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2. Because of their production (vs. 15)

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**Norman
Vincent
Peale**

**E.W.
Kenyon**

**Oral
Roberts**

**Kenneth
Hagin**

**Benny
Hinn**

**Kenneth
Copeland**

**Joel
Osteen**

“By 1997, when I was thirteen and the church was a decade old, our main home was a six-bedroom, eight-bathroom mansion that covered just a little less than ten thousand square feet in South Surrey, British Columbia ...

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(Prosperity) Gospel*

Costi Hinn



“...We have a private gate, a swimming pool, an indoor hot tub, a steam room, a sport court, and more than two acres of land to play on. My bedroom suite, larger than most people’s living rooms, boasted a large walk-in closet a bathroom...

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“... with a Jacuzzi tub, standup shower, marble tile, and yes gold fixtures. We drove multiple Mercedes-Benz vehicles (from a convertible to an SUV), vacationed round the world, and stayed in expensive hotels. I remember celebrating my ...

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“... eighth birthday in the Holy Land (Israel) and riding camels as part of the celebration. Our family ministry trips to London, Paris, Maui, and everywhere in between were filled with privately arranged meetings to pray and speak a blessing over ...

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“... celebrities, governmental leaders, and professional athletes from the NBA, MLB, and NFL. Wherever we went, our spiritual power lured people of promise to something that could help them be more successful too. This all resulted in our ...

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“... getting to enjoy whatever luxury we wanted. Signs, wonders, miracles, and prosperity preaching gave us a life my father only dreamed about as a kid. In our family, we truly lived what we believed. We were living the abundant, ...

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“... blessed life. ... And I had
come along for the ride.”

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3. Because of their false declarations (vs. 16-22)

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*Thus says the LORD of hosts:
“Do not listen to the words of the prophets who
prophecy to you, filling you with vain hopes.
They speak visions of their own minds,
not from the mouth of the LORD.*

Jeremiah 23:16



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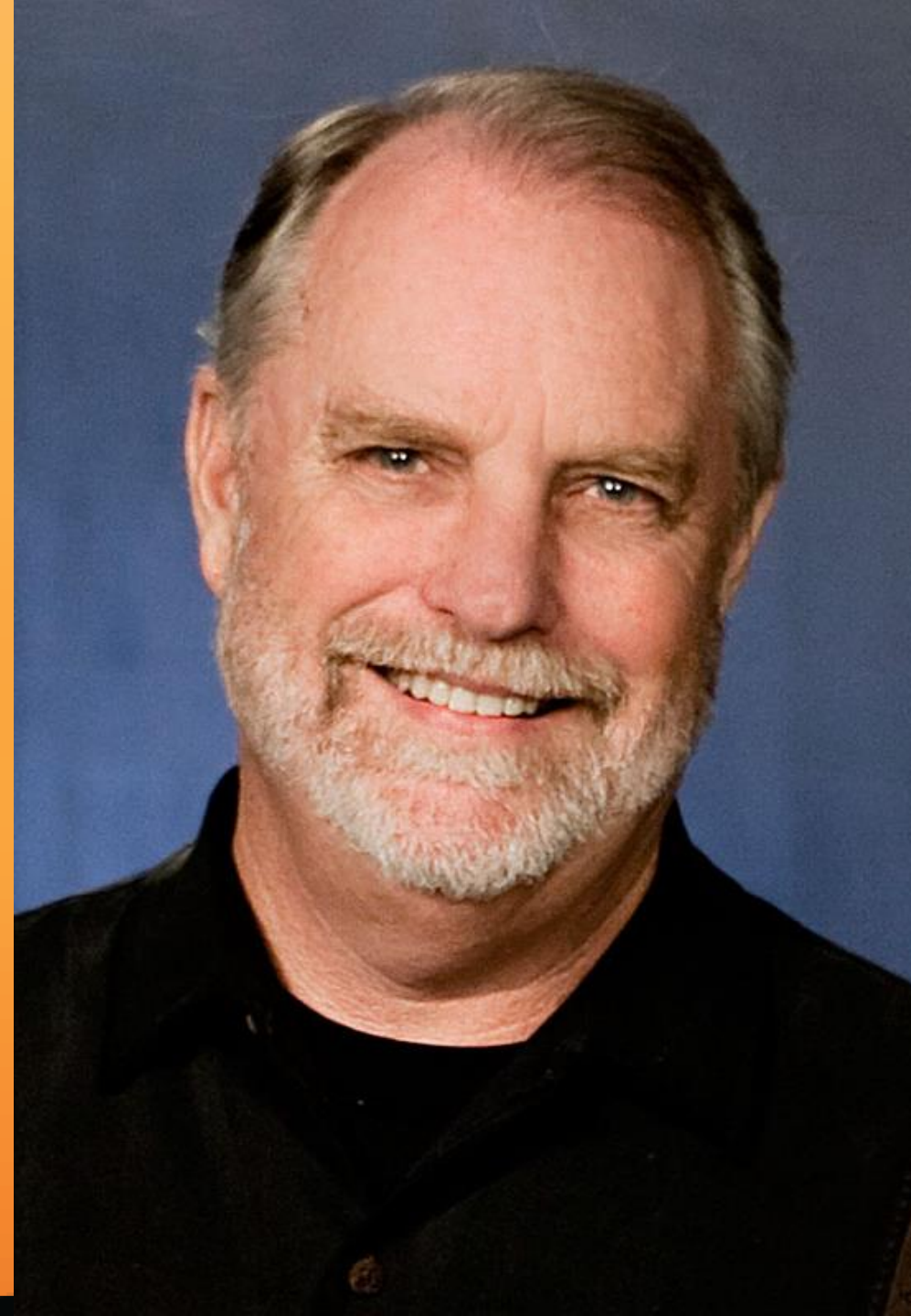
- The word “tithe” means “to give a tenth.”
- Under Mosaic law, Jews were commanded to give 30% of their income (Leviticus 27:30; Deuteronomy 12:11-17; 14:28-29).
- Jesus is not condemning tithing.

Notes on Tithing



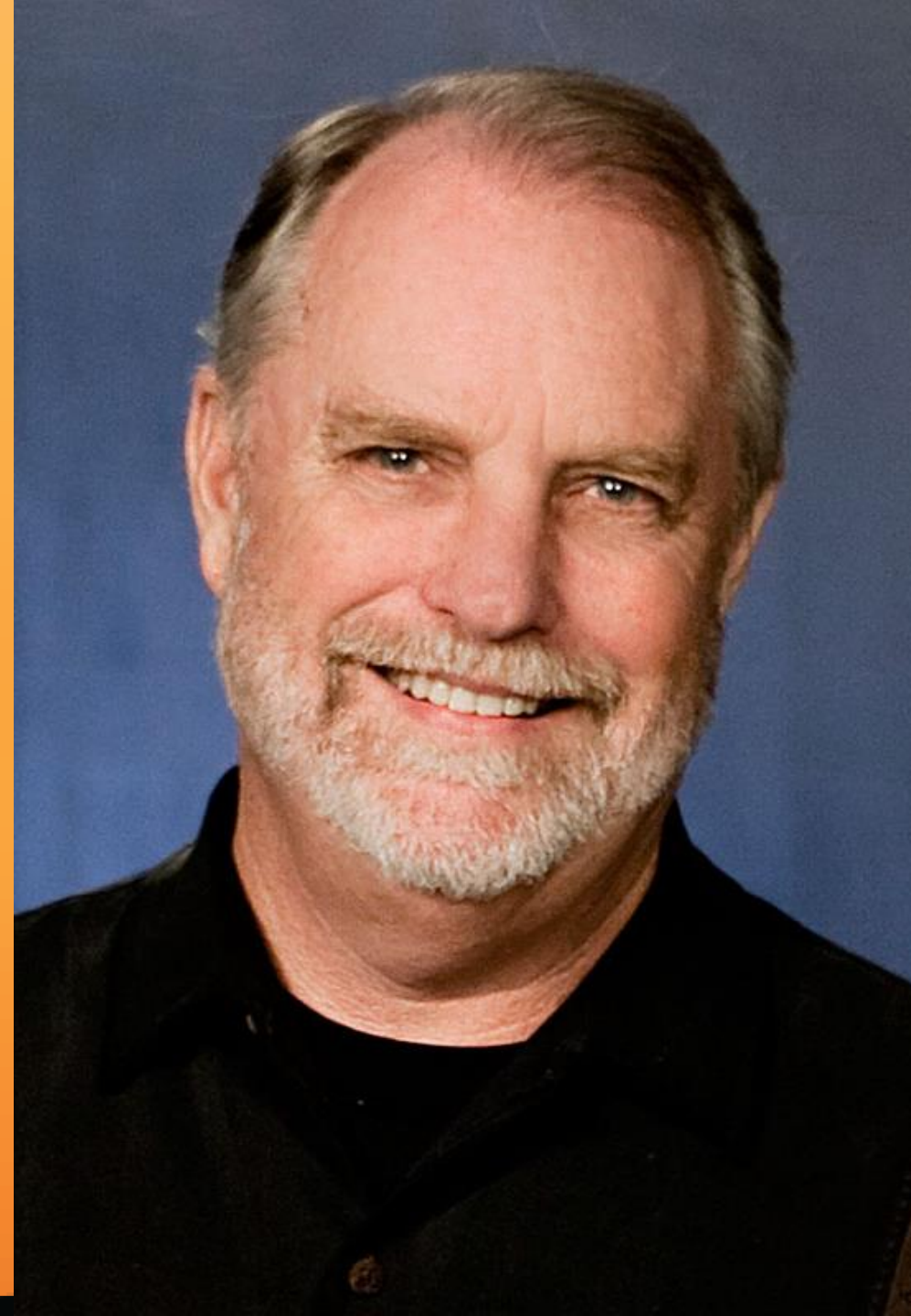
“The absolute worst thing about legalism is what it does to mercy. It casts it aside, then walks away. It leaves people who need mercy most to fend for themselves and castigates those who offer mercy as spiritual compromisers ...

Larry Osborne,
Accidental Pharisees



“... who water down the gospel. That’s because legalists have always viewed the application of mercy as selling out. They love the idea of mercy, but they want to limit when it’s offered and whom it’s offered to.”

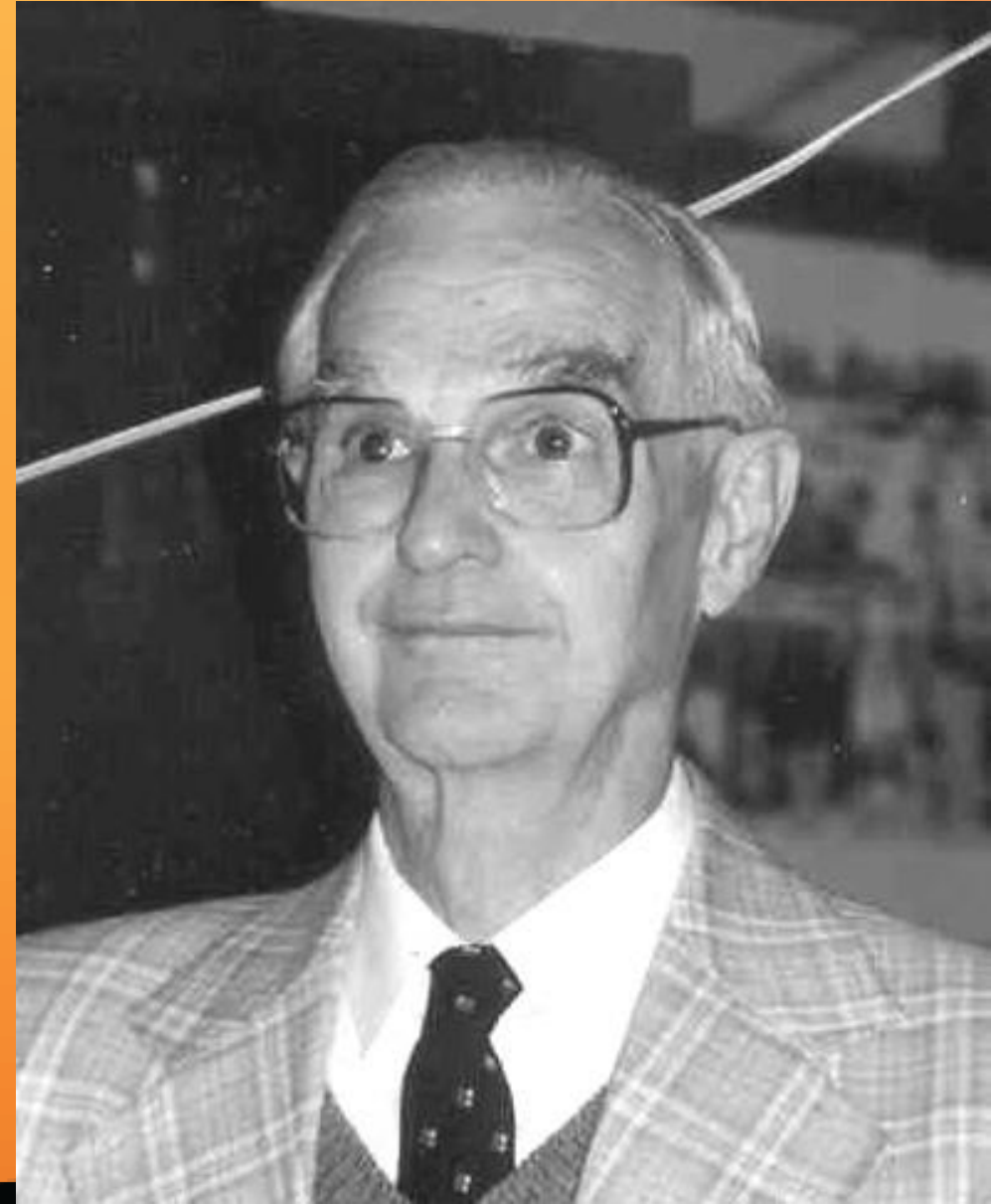
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Leon Morris

“In their eagerness to avoid a tiny defilement the Pharisees are polluted by a huge one.”

*The Gospel According to
Matthew*



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5. Because of their extortion (vs. 25-26)

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1. You will not hear a false teacher preach that wisdom is better than money (Proverbs 3:13), because that would empty the offering plates.
2. You will never hear a false teacher say trusting in riches is not good (Proverbs 11:28), because they wouldn't be able to drive the nicer car.

False Teachers and Money



3. You will never hear a false teacher say if you gain money through deception it won't last (Proverbs 10:2), because the false teachers would be out of the job.
4. You will never hear a false teacher say integrity is better than money (Proverbs 16:8) because they would never have an audience to abuse and mislead and manipulate.

False Teachers and Money



Costi Hinn

“What these desperate, vulnerable people need is a pastor who will love them, protect them, and give them real hope. Too many churches are being overrun by charlatans, ...

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“... and the church at large has got to say, ‘Enough is enough.’

Vulnerable people should be targeted by the church for the purpose of serving their spiritual and physical needs, not squeezing every dollar out of them in exchange for empty promises.”

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*Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.
Cleanse your hands, you sinners,
and purify your hearts, you double-minded.*

James 4:8



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7. Because of their pretension (vs. 29-36)

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“As we review these tragic woes from the lips of our Lord, we can see why the Pharisees were His enemies.

He emphasized the inner man; they were concerned with externals. He taught a spiritual life based on principles, ...

Warren Wiersbe,

Be Loyal



“... while the Pharisees majored on rules and regulations. Jesus measured spirituality in terms of character, while the Pharisees measured it in terms of religious activities and conformity to external laws. Jesus taught humility and ...

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“... sacrificial service,
but the Pharisees were proud
and used people to accomplish
their purposes. The holy life of
Jesus exposed their artificial
piety and shallow religion.
Instead of coming out of ...

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“... the darkness,
the Pharisees tried to put out
the Light, and they failed.”

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