

March 1, 2020
“The Art Of Impersonation”
(Matthew 5:21-37)

The secret to being a great celebrity impersonator is _____
plus _____.

Attitude plus appearance. Both are easy to _____.

It’s always important in interpreting scripture to know the
_____ of the situation.

We’ve already seen that Jesus teaches us that our _____ acts
don’t _____ our way into God’s kingdom.

Jesus says that son goes far deeper than _____ action. It
involves the inner _____ attitude that leads up to the action.

**#1. – Jesus is saying that sin doesn’t _____ where we think it
does.**

Sin doesn’t start with an action. Sin starts with a _____ - the
decision that our life is our own and that God has no business
interfering with our desires.

The only way to deal with the “sins-of-the-flesh” is to so _____
ourselves with the _____ of God that giving in to our sinful
thoughts becomes unthinkable!

The _____ of sin, the power of hate and anger and lust and
pride and greed and selfishness are _____.

We may be impersonating a follower of Jesus, but if our heart and
mind are **not** ruled by the _____ of God, then we are still in
moral and spiritual _____!

#2. – Sin doesn’t _____ where you think it does either.

We all bear the _____ of God. If we are in conflict with each
other, then we are in _____ with God!

(over)

Worship is being in the _____ of a holy God, and the greatest
sacrifice we can bring to a holy God is a _____ heart!

Reconciliation matters more than _____!

Reconciliation and _____ are spiritual acts of _____ and
worship!

They require _____ and confessing our sins to one another and
repentance and _____ and grace.

**#3. – The starting and ending point of righteousness is _____
with the _____ and _____ of God within our souls!**

We need to be so full of God’s spirit that there is no room for such
things as _____ thoughts, or _____ thoughts, or greed!

We need to spend more _____ with God. More time in
_____, in prayer, in repentance, in obedience, in acts of service!

And as our love for God grows, then we will begin to think with the
_____ of God and respond with the _____ of God!

This is the starting and ending point of **ALL** that God means
for us to be!