

November 1, 2020
“Designer Religion”
(Matthew 23:1-12)

Sometimes _____ are important, aren't they?

We are all _____ at heart. We love to strut our stuff.

3 thoughts for consideration.....

1.- Lack of _____ can be a serious matter.

People do crazy things out of _____.

Pride can be a _____ emotion.

Many of the worst crimes in our history have been committed by people who simply wanted _____.

Bishop Fulton J. Sheen – *“The proud man counts his newspaper clippings – the humble man his blessings.”*

2.- Worse than their lack of humility was the Pharisees' sheer _____.

They put heavy _____ on people that they don't _____ themselves.

Nobody likes _____.

Some of us even use other people's hypocrisy as an _____ for our own lack of _____.

“If a hypocrite is standing between you and God, it just means the hypocrite is closer to God than you are.”

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3.- Jesus was disturbed by their _____ of heart.

Jesus called his disciples to seek not after _____ but after _____!

The greatest person in this church is the person who _____
Serves others!

Much is made of the sins of the Pharisees. But how do we _____ compared, not with them, but with _____?

Do we have the _____ of a servant?

In Jesus' Kingdom – the greater the man or woman, the easier it is to forget one's self and to center one's life in others!