

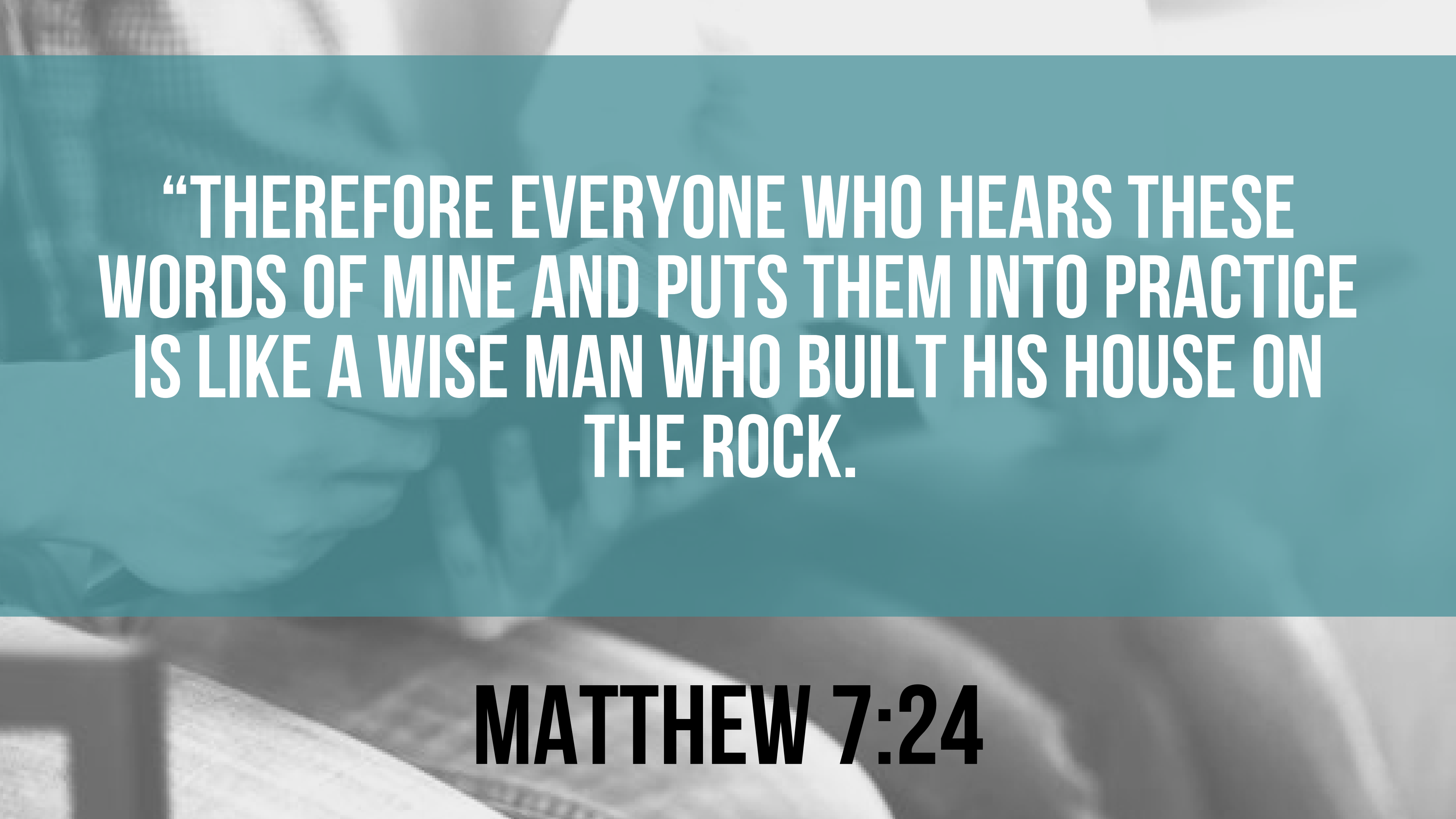


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**...THAT PERSON IS LIKE A TREE PLANTED BY
STREAMS OF WATER,
WHICH YIELDS ITS FRUIT IN SEASON
AND WHOSE LEAF DOES NOT WITHER—
WHATEVER THEY DO PROSPERS.**

PSALM 1:3

A close-up photograph of a person's hands holding an open book. The image is partially obscured by a semi-transparent teal overlay that covers the upper two-thirds of the frame. The text is written in white, bold, uppercase letters on this teal background. The bottom third of the image shows the book's pages and the person's hands in grayscale.

**“THEREFORE EVERYONE WHO HEARS THESE
WORDS OF MINE AND PUTS THEM INTO PRACTICE
IS LIKE A WISE MAN WHO BUILT HIS HOUSE ON
THE ROCK.**

MATTHEW 7:24

**ALL SCRIPTURE IS GOD-BREATHED AND IS USEFUL
FOR TEACHING, REBUKING, CORRECTING AND
TRAINING IN RIGHTEOUSNESS,
SO THAT THE SERVANT OF GOD MAY BE
THOROUGHLY EQUIPPED FOR EVERY GOOD WORK.**

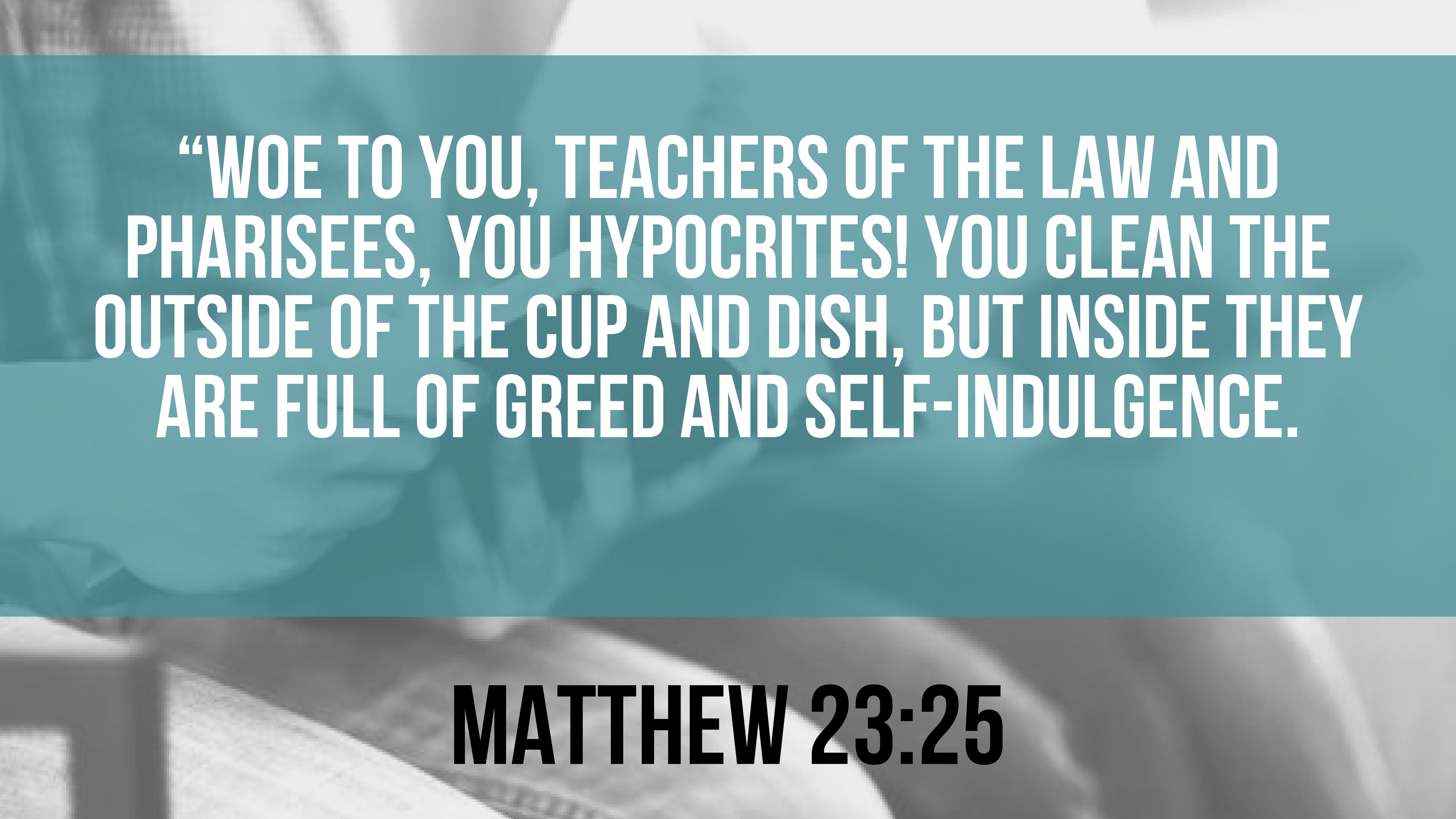
2 TIMOTHY 3:16-17



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*We recognize Scripture reveals God
and how we should respond to him.*

*We are called to become more like Jesus with
the Word of God as our standard and sustenance.*



**“WOE TO YOU, TEACHERS OF THE LAW AND
PHARISEES, YOU HYPOCRITES! YOU CLEAN THE
OUTSIDE OF THE CUP AND DISH, BUT INSIDE THEY
ARE FULL OF GREED AND SELF-INDULGENCE.**

MATTHEW 23:25

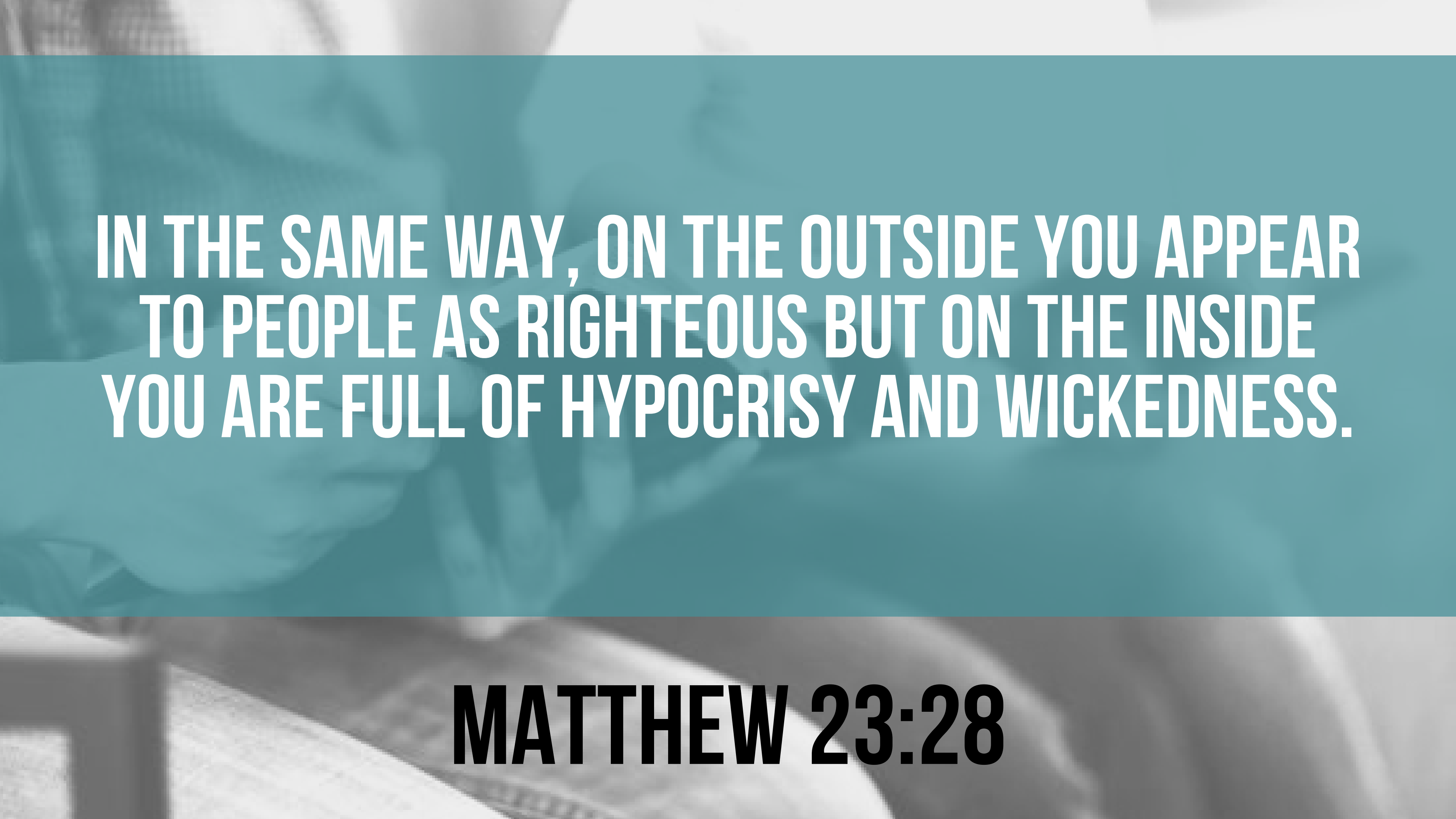
A background image showing a person's hands being washed in a sink. The image is partially obscured by a teal-colored rectangular overlay that covers the upper two-thirds of the frame. The text is written in white, bold, uppercase letters within this teal area.

**BLIND PHARISEE! FIRST CLEAN THE INSIDE OF
THE CUP AND DISH, AND THEN THE OUTSIDE ALSO
WILL BE CLEAN.**

MATTHEW 23:26

“WOE TO YOU, TEACHERS OF THE LAW AND PHARISEES, YOU HYPOCRITES! YOU ARE LIKE WHITEWASHED TOMBS, WHICH LOOK BEAUTIFUL ON THE OUTSIDE BUT ON THE INSIDE ARE FULL OF THE BONES OF THE DEAD AND EVERYTHING UNCLEAN.

MATTHEW 23:27



**IN THE SAME WAY, ON THE OUTSIDE YOU APPEAR
TO PEOPLE AS RIGHTEOUS BUT ON THE INSIDE
YOU ARE FULL OF HYPOCRISY AND WICKEDNESS.**

MATTHEW 23:28

Spiritual Discipline:

SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINE IS THE DEVELOPMENT OF HABITS AND PRACTICES, CENTERED ON GOD'S WORD, FOR GROWTH AND MATURITY, SO THAT WE REFLECT THE IMAGE AND CHARACTER OF CHRIST, INWARDLY THEN OUTWARDLY.

Why Pursue the Disciplines?

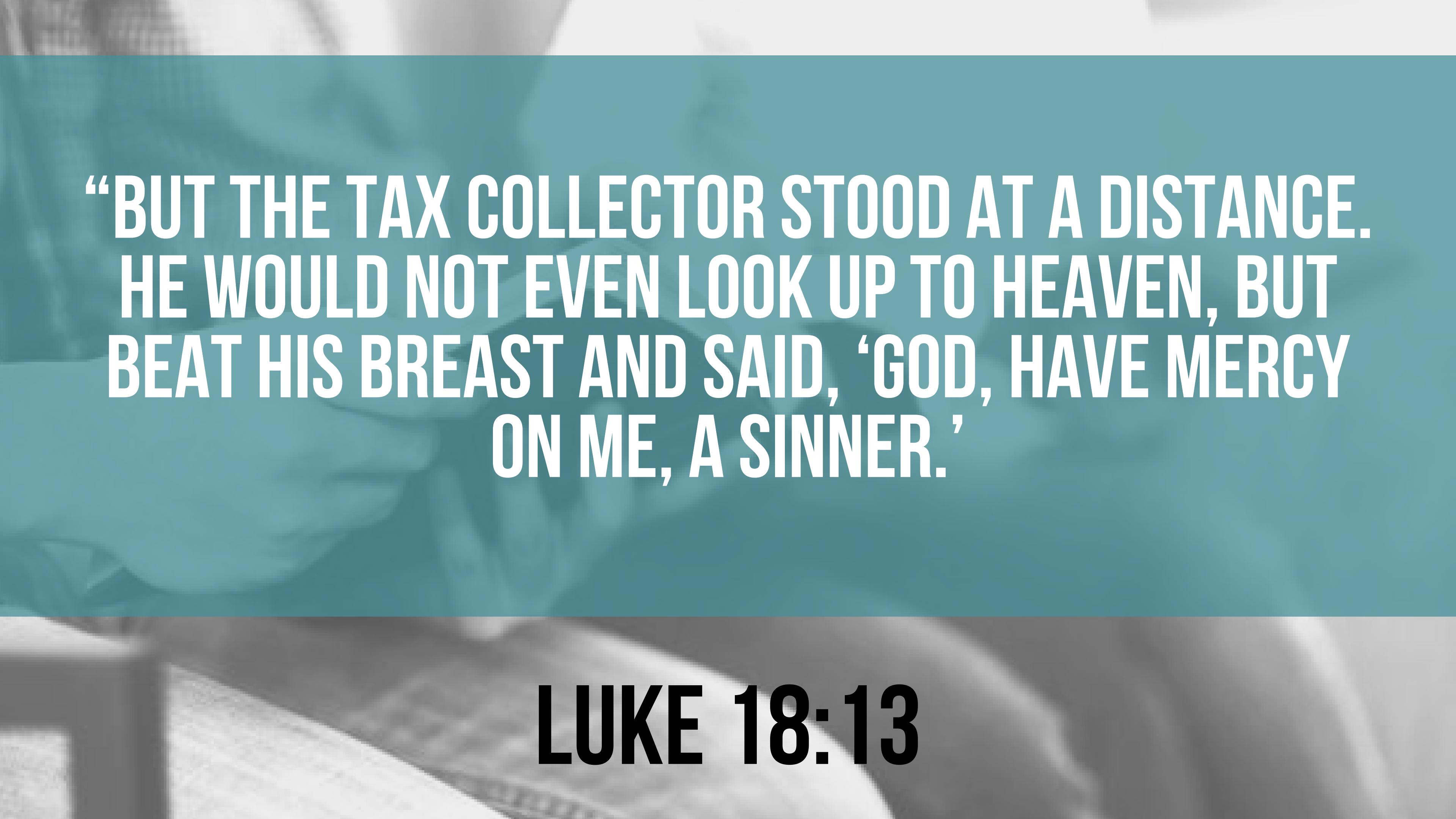
**SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES HELP
SHAPE OUR HEART.**

TO SOME WHO WERE CONFIDENT OF THEIR OWN
RIGHTEOUSNESS AND LOOKED DOWN ON
EVERYONE ELSE, JESUS TOLD THIS PARABLE:
“TWO MEN WENT UP TO THE TEMPLE TO PRAY,
ONE A PHARISEE AND THE OTHER A TAX
COLLECTOR.

LUKE 18:9-10

**THE PHARISEE STOOD BY HIMSELF AND PRAYED:
‘GOD, I THANK YOU THAT I AM NOT LIKE OTHER
PEOPLE——ROBBERS, EVILDOERS, ADULTERERS
——OR EVEN LIKE THIS TAX COLLECTOR.
I FAST TWICE A WEEK AND GIVE A TENTH OF ALL I
GET.’**

LUKE 18:11-12



**“BUT THE TAX COLLECTOR STOOD AT A DISTANCE.
HE WOULD NOT EVEN LOOK UP TO HEAVEN, BUT
BEAT HIS BREAST AND SAID, ‘GOD, HAVE MERCY
ON ME, A SINNER.’**

LUKE 18:13

“I TELL YOU THAT THIS MAN, RATHER THAN THE OTHER, WENT HOME JUSTIFIED BEFORE GOD. FOR ALL THOSE WHO EXALT THEMSELVES WILL BE HUMBLLED, AND THOSE WHO HUMBLE THEMSELVES WILL BE EXALTED.”

LUKE 18:14

Why Pursue the Disciplines?

**SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES HELP
CHANGE THE WAY WE THINK.**

THEREFORE, I URGE YOU, BROTHERS AND SISTERS, IN VIEW OF GOD'S MERCY, TO OFFER YOUR BODIES AS A LIVING SACRIFICE, HOLY AND PLEASING TO GOD—THIS IS YOUR TRUE AND PROPER WORSHIP.

ROMANS 12:1

**DO NOT CONFORM TO THE PATTERN OF THIS
WORLD, BUT BE TRANSFORMED BY THE
RENEWING OF YOUR MIND. THEN YOU WILL BE
ABLE TO TEST AND APPROVE WHAT GOD'S WILL IS
—HIS GOOD, PLEASING AND PERFECT WILL.**

ROMANS 12:2

**FINALLY, BROTHERS AND SISTERS, WHATEVER IS
TRUE, WHATEVER IS NOBLE, WHATEVER IS RIGHT,
WHATEVER IS PURE, WHATEVER IS LOVELY,
WHATEVER IS ADMIRABLE—IF ANYTHING IS
EXCELLENT OR PRAISEWORTHY—THINK ABOUT
SUCH THINGS.**

PHILIPPIANS 4:8



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