

A Quiet Awesome
Matthew 6:1-8a
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Thesis: I want to show what we can learn from the humble.

- Intro: 1. What does it mean to do awesome things quietly?
- a. Does it mean to do things for others without seeking glory for yourself?
 - b. This seems to be exactly the attitude Christians are to have, as we'll discuss later (**Mt 6:3**)

I. Awesome things are done throughout the Bible.

- A. Mighty enemies are defeated, the sick are healed, and more.
 1. David's defeat of Goliath, He gave God the glory, the humble are quite while doing awesome things. (**1 Sam 17:45-46a**)
 2. The sick are healed, Christ directed men to obey God's will, the humble are quite while doing awesome things. (**Lk 5:12-14**)
- B. How does this compare to some today?
 1. Some boast in themselves (**Ps 12:3**)
 - 2.

II. Christ commands a "Quietness" in good works (Mt 6:1-18)

- A. Quite charity (v.1-4)
 1. What not to do (**v.1**)
 2. What to do (**v.2-4**)
- B. Quite (humble) prayer habits (v.5-7)
 1. What not to do (**v.5,7**)
 2. What to do (**v.6,9a**)
- C. If fasting do so quietly (v.16-18)
 1. What not to do (**v.16**)
 2. What to do (**v.17-18**)

III. Lessons for Us Today

- A. Do not be like them (**Mt 6:8a**)
 1. Christians are not to be like the hypocrites.
 2. Hypocrites are frauds, Christians are to be real-not fake or pretenders.
- B. Christians are commanded to be humble, not proud (**1 Pt 5:6**)
 1. You cannot be arrogant and be a faithful Christian at the same time.
 - a. Too many times we find where God humbles the proud and punishes the proud.

Application & Conclusion:

1. God "repays the proud" (**Ps 31:23**)
2. Whatever you do, do it humbly, do it for the right reason, do it to the glory of God (**Ps 29:1-2**)
3. Full Invitation

Non-Christians must:

Hear – James 1:22, Romans 10:15,17

Believe – Jn 12:44, Jn 8:24, Mt 16:16

Repent – Luke 13:2-3

Confess – John 12:42, Romans 10:9

Be Baptized – 1 Pt 3:21, Acts 22:16, Col 2:11-12, Mk 16:16, Rom 6:3-4

Live faithfully – John 14:15, Rev 2:10

Christians must:

Repent & Pray: James 5:16, 1 John 1:9