

In Private
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Take heed that you do not do your charitable deeds before men, to be seen by them. Otherwise you have no reward from your Father in heaven. Therefore, when you do a charitable deed, do not sound a trumpet before you as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory from men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. - **Mathew 6:1-2**

Why do we feel the need so many times to let it slip in a conversation what we are supposed to be doing in secret? I can't tell you how many times I myself have done that very thing or either been around someone else falling victim to the very same thing.

The message Jesus is communicating to us from this passage is simple. If you are bringing attention to your charitable deeds so that you can impress other folks, it is simply the wrong thing to do. If you are doing your deeds in secret so that only God knows, it is simply the right thing to do.