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Hypocrisy

Sustaining a grudge behind a Christian smile,

nourishing an attitude beneath a veneer of love,

speaking "truth" out of both sides of our mouths,

is hypocrisy.

The thing about hypocrisy---

it is always exposed.

Sooner or later the covers come off and the light comes on.

Nothing is covered up that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known.

Therefore whatever you have said in the dark shall be heard in the light, and what you have whispered in private rooms shall be proclaimed upon the housetops".

Luke 12

So what happens when our favorite leader is exposed?

When we can no longer cling to the hope that he was speaking the truth.

When we have to face the fact that this man was exploiting us.

The Lord God allows us to hide under the blanket of hypocrisy for only so long.

And when our leader invites us to come under his blanket, what happens to us when his blanket comes off?

The thing about hypocrisy is that it's contagious.

You hang around a hypocrite, you become a hypocrite.

You follow a hypocrite, you become a hypocrite.

The most merciful thing God can do for us when we catch this disease

is to expose us.

"In the meantime, when so many thousands of the multitude had gathered together that they trod upon one another, he began to say to his disciples first,

"Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy.

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It's like waking up from a bad dream, like rising out of a filthy pit, when the Lord, in his mercy, exposes our hypocrisy.



It's a wonderful relief for the soul.

Lord Jesus, give us eyes to see and ears to hear, and set us free from the leaven of the Pharisees!

Prayer- Yes Lord, give us eyes to see and ears to hear our own hypocrisy. Lord Jesus, in your mercy, clear the fog that has blinded us to our nakedness. Expose us. May we find your healing and cleansing as we allow ourselves to be freed from our grudges, attitudes, and blind spots, our compromises, and our lack of love. Draw us close again, so we may meet you in our vulnerability and have our nakedness lovingly covered by you.

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