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#### **Matthew 23:1-3**

*A Warning Against Hypocrisy*

1 “Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples: 2 “The teachers of the law and the Pharisees sit in Moses’ seat. 3 So you must be careful to do everything they tell you. But do not do what they do, for they do not practice what they preach.”[b

An American president pushed a law encouraging thousands of unnecessary abortions as he speaks on television of our nation's need to spend more money to fight crime.

A big brother boasts of his great accomplishments in football as he buys his little brother beer for a Saturday night party.

A father punishes a child for cheating on a test while he cheats on his tax report to the I.R.S.

**images/Blog Images/show/uk4i" src=" " alt=" " />** A mom scolds a child for talking back at the kitchen table while she dominated the dad and insubordinates his authority at home.

They party on Saturday and carry their Bibles to Sunday school.



Hypocrisy ... it's the antithesis of leadership. It's confusing, misleading and destructive.

Leadership is consistent. The one you follow is the one you trust. Jesus always did what he said and condemned those who didn't.

Then He dared to forgive our inconsistencies.

### **QUESTIONS:**

1. Who are you a leader to?
2. How can you demonstrate consistent leadership?
3. Who are you following? What kind of a leader is he/she?

### **LIFELINE:**

Home is the place to forgive inconsistencies and where we strive to be more consistent.

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