

Hypocrisy of Shame

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Hypocrisy is the act of persistently pretending to hold [beliefs](#), [opinions](#), [virtues](#), [feelings](#), [qualities](#), or [standards](#) that one does not actually hold. Hypocrisy is thus a kind of [lie](#).

Hypocrisy may come from a desire to hide from others actual motives or feelings. Hypocrisy is not simply an inconsistency between what is advocated and what is done. [Samuel Johnson](#) made this point when he wrote about the misuse of the charge of "hypocrisy" in Rambler No. 14:

Nothing is more unjust, however common, than to charge with hypocrisy him that expresses zeal for those virtues which he neglects to practice; since he may be sincerely convinced of the advantages of conquering his passions, without having yet obtained the victory, as a man may be confident of the advantages of a voyage, or a journey, without having courage or industry to undertake it, and may honestly recommend to others, those attempts which he neglects himself.^[1]

- 1. a pretense of having a virtuous character, moral or religious beliefs or principles, etc., that one does not really possess.*
- 2. A pretense of having some desirable or publicly approved attitude.*
- 3. An act or instance of hypocrisy.*

The act or practice of a hypocrite; a feigning to be what one is not, or to feel what one does not feel; a dissimulation, or a concealment of one's real character, disposition, or motives; especially, the assuming of false appearance of virtue or religion; a [simulation](#) of goodness.

“But what does “God” have to say about it? Well let’s see”,

[2 Peter 2:1-3](#)

But false prophets also arose among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Master who bought them, bringing upon themselves swift destruction. And many will follow their sensuality, and because of them the way of truth will be blasphemed. And in their greed they will exploit you with false words. Their condemnation from long ago is not idle, and their destruction is not asleep.

[James 1:22-24](#)

But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like.

Romans 16:18

For such persons do not serve our Lord Christ, but their own appetites, and by smooth talk and flattery they deceive the hearts of the naïve.

2 Corinthians 5:12 *We are not commending ourselves to you again but giving you cause to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast about outward appearance and not about what is in the heart.*

Luke 12:2

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

Luke 16:13

No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”

Galatians 6:3

For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself.

Psalms 52:4

You love all words that devour, O deceitful tongue.

Psalms 101:7

No one who practices deceit shall dwell in my house; no one who utters lies shall continue before my eyes.

Proverbs 14:8

The wisdom of the prudent is to discern his way, but the folly of fools is deceiving.

Proverbs 21:27

The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination; how much more when he brings it with evil intent

Proverbs 25:19

Trusting in a treacherous man in time of trouble is like a bad tooth or a foot that slips.

Matthew 6:1

“Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven.

Isaiah 10:6

Against a godless nation I send him, and against the people of my wrath I command him, to take spoil and seize plunder, and to tread them down like the mire of the streets.

Isaiah 29:13

And the Lord said: “Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men,

Isaiah 29:15

Ah, you who hide deep from the Lord your counsel, whose deeds are in the dark, and who say, “Who sees us? Who knows us?”

Isaiah 32:6

For the fool speaks folly, and his heart is busy with iniquity, to practice ungodliness, to utter error concerning the Lord, to leave the craving of the hungry unsatisfied, and to deprive the thirsty of drink.

Isaiah 32:5

The fool will no more be called noble, nor the scoundrel said to be honorable.

Isaiah 61:8 *For I the Lord love justice; I hate robbery and wrong; I will faithfully give them their recompense, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.*

Jeremiah 9:8

Their tongue is a deadly arrow; it speaks deceitfully; with his mouth each speaks peace to his neighbor, but in his heart he plans an ambush for him.

Jeremiah 7:8-10

“Behold, you trust in deceptive words to no avail. Will you steal, murder, commit adultery, swear falsely, make offerings to Baal, and go after other gods that you have not known, and then come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, ‘We are delivered!’—only to go on doing all these abominations?

Jeremiah 7:4

Do not trust in these deceptive words: ‘This is the temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord.’

Jeremiah 17:9

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand

[Jeremiah 12:2](#)

You plant them, and they take root; they grow and produce fruit; you are near in their mouth and far from their heart.

[Jeremiah 42:22](#)

Now therefore know for a certainty that you shall die by the sword, by famine, and by pestilence in the place where you desire to go to live.”

[Ezekiel 5:11](#)

Therefore, as I live, declares the Lord God, surely, because you have defiled my sanctuary with all your detestable things and with all your abominations, therefore I will withdraw. My eye will not spare, and I will have no pity.

[Hosea 10:4](#)

They utter mere words; with empty oaths they make covenants; so judgment springs up like poisonous weeds in the furrows of the field.

[Micah 3:11](#)

Its heads give judgment for a bribe; its priests teach for a price; its prophets practice divination for money; yet they lean on the Lord and say, “Is not the Lord in the midst of us? No disaster shall come upon us.”

[Matthew 7:1-5](#)

“Judge not, that you be not judged. For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you. Why do you see the speck that is in your brother’s eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? Or how can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when there is the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother’s eye.

[Matthew 24:51](#)

And will cut him in pieces and put him with the hypocrites. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

[Luke 8:18](#)

Take care then how you hear, for to the one who has, more will be given, and from the one who has not, even what he thinks that he has will be taken away.”

Matthew 7:15

“Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves.

Matthew 25:41-45

“Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?’ Then he will answer them, saying, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’

Mark 12:38-40

And in his teaching he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, which devour widows’ houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

Luke 11:39-52

And the Lord said to him, “Now you Pharisees cleanse the outside of the cup and of the dish, but inside you are full of greed and wickedness. You fools! Did not he who made the outside make the inside also? But give as alms those things that are within, and behold, everything is clean for you. “But woe to you Pharisees! For you tithe mint and rue and every herb, and neglect justice and the love of God. These you ought to have done, without neglecting the others. Woe to you Pharisees! For you love the best seat in the synagogues and greetings in the marketplaces. ...

Luke 12:54-56

He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you say at once, ‘A shower is coming.’ And so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat,’ and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

Luke 13:27

But he will say, ‘I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!’

Luke 16:15

And he said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.

[Luke 14:35](#)

It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He, who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

[John 15:6](#)

If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.

[John 15:2](#)

Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit.

[John 12:6](#)

He said this, not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief, and having charge of the moneybag he used to help himself to what was put into it.

[Romans 2:3](#)

Do you suppose, O man—you who judge those who practice such things and yet do them yourself—that you will escape the judgment of God?

[Romans 2:1](#)

Therefore you have no excuse, O man, every one of you who judges. For in passing judgment on another you condemn yourself, because you, the judge, practice the very same things.

[Romans 1:18](#)

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth.

[Romans 3:23](#)

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

[1 Corinthians 13:1](#)

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

Titus 1:16

They profess to know God, but they deny him by their works. They are detestable, disobedient, unfit for any good work.

2 Timothy 3:13

While evil people and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived.

1 Timothy 4:2

Through the insincerity of liars whose consciences are seared,

1 Peter 2:16

Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God.

1 Peter 2:1

So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander.

James 4:8

Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

1 John 1:6

If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.

Jude 1:16

These are grumblers, malcontents, following their own sinful desires; they are loud-mouthed boasters, showing favoritism to gain advantage.

Jude 1:13

Wild waves of the sea, casting up the foam of their own shame; wandering stars, for whom the gloom of utter darkness has been reserved forever.

2 Timothy 3:5

Having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power. Avoid such people.

Matthew 22:18

But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites?"

[Proverbs 26:23-26](#)

Like the glaze covering an earthen vessel are fervent lips with an evil heart. Whoever hates disguises himself with his lips and harbors deceit in his heart; when he speaks graciously, believe him not, for there are seven abominations in his heart; though his hatred be covered with deception, his wickedness will be exposed in the assembly.

[James 1:26](#)

If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless.

[Matthew 15:7-9](#)

You hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy of you, when he said: "This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men."

"I'm sure that I could have found more, but I think, if by now you don't get the point to this matter, you never will, because you are the hypocrite of the above scriptures that will ultimately judge you for what you are as one".

James 1:22-24 but be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. Luke 12:2 nothing is covered up that will not be revealed or hidden that will not be known. Psalm 101:7 No one who practices deceit shall dwell in my house; no one who utters lies shall continue before my eyes.

No this, "Enjoy your Greedy Hypocritical habitual lives now, because when it's over",

Jeremiah 42:22 now therefore know for a certainty that you shall die by the sword, by famine, and by pestilence in the place where you desire to go to live." Matthew 24:51 And will cut him in pieces and put him with the hypocrites. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

It doesn't sound very promising to me, but then again, the recalcitrant hypocritical dumb doodles of this subject matter – might hypocritically think they can buy their way into a tropical resort island of pleasure humbly resorting themselves into a secondary lifestyle as superciliously accustomed to living.

Significant Confirmation to "The Heart of the Matter – is the Integrity of the Heart"

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