<u>Series</u>: Son of Man <u>Title</u>: Beware Hypocrisy <u>Text</u>: (Luke 12:1-12)

I. <u>What Hypocrisy Is</u>: (Vs 1) Jesus compares it Leaven ~ "*Yeast*" (Ex 12:15-20)(1 Cor 4:6)

A. <u>Hypocrisy is Futile</u>: (Vs 2-3) (1 Sam 16:7) God locket on the heart. (Matt 9:4) "*And Jesus knowing their thoughts*" (Lk 11:17) "*And Jesus knowing their thoughts*"

God's Truth is like Light, must not be hidden: (Lk 8:16-18)(Acts 20:27) (2 Cor 4:2)

**B. Hypocrisy is Foolish:** (Ps 118:8)

- 1. <u>God is the only person in our Esteem Group</u> (Mk 8:38) (Lk 14:267-27)
- 2. <u>The fear of God conquers all other fears</u>: (Vs 4-6) (Prov 29:25) (Prov 18:10) (Lk 6:22-23)
- 2. <u>We Must Confess Christ Openly</u>: (Vs 8-9) (2 Tim 2:8-12)
- 3. We Must Depend on the Holy Spirit: (Vs 10)
- 4. <u>We Must Exercise Courage</u> (Vs 11)

## 5. We Must Exercise Trust: (Vs 12)

<u>Abraham</u> lies about Sarah being his wife: (Gen 12:11-13) <u>Isaac</u> Lies about Rebecca being his wife: (Gen 26:7) <u>Aaron</u> Makes the Golden calf by peer pressure: (Ex 32:22-24) <u>Saul</u> Sins against the Lord: (1 Sam 15:24) <u>Elijah</u> ran in fear: (1 Kings 19:3) <u>Peter</u> Cursed & Lied @ knowing Jesus: (Matt 26:69-74) <u>Pilate</u> thwarted real Justice when he succumbed to the Mob & gave Jesus over to be Crucified.

A. <u>When we give into the Fear of Man, We betray Jesus</u> <u>to the Mob</u>: (Matt 10:28)

Are you currently Giving God the Silent Treatment? Are you embarrassed for others to know you are a Christian? Are you Afraid of being Cancelled?

Who's opinion matters most to you? Who is in your Esteem group? Who Cares for you more than God does? Who Helps you more than God does?

## Are you living to please the Lord or friends that build your self esteem?