



SUMMER ON THE MOUNT

Hypocrisy Redefined



FAKE



REAL





Imitation

vs.

Authentic
Religion

Imitation vs. Authentic Giving

Matthew 6:1-2

¹ Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven. ² So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full.

Imitation vs. Authentic Giving

Matthew 6:3

³ But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴ so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.



Reflection Question:
*Do you care who gets the
credit?*

Imitation vs. Authentic Prayer

Matthew 6:5

And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full.

Imitation vs. Authentic Prayer

Matthew 6:6

But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

Imitation vs. Authentic Fasting

Matthew 6:16

When you fast, do not look somber as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show others they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full.

Imitation vs. Authentic Fasting

Matthew 6:17

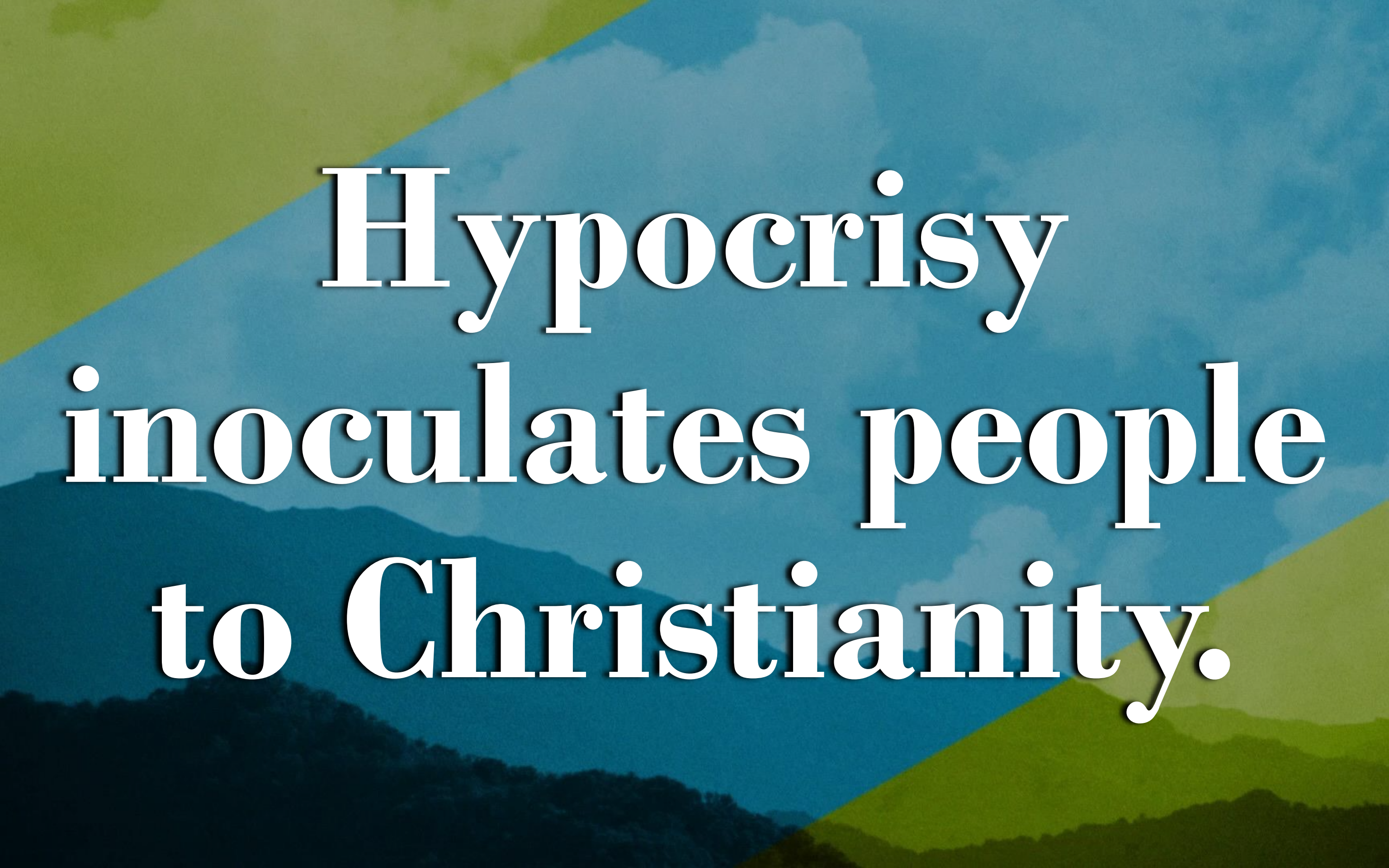
But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, 18 so that it will not be obvious to others that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

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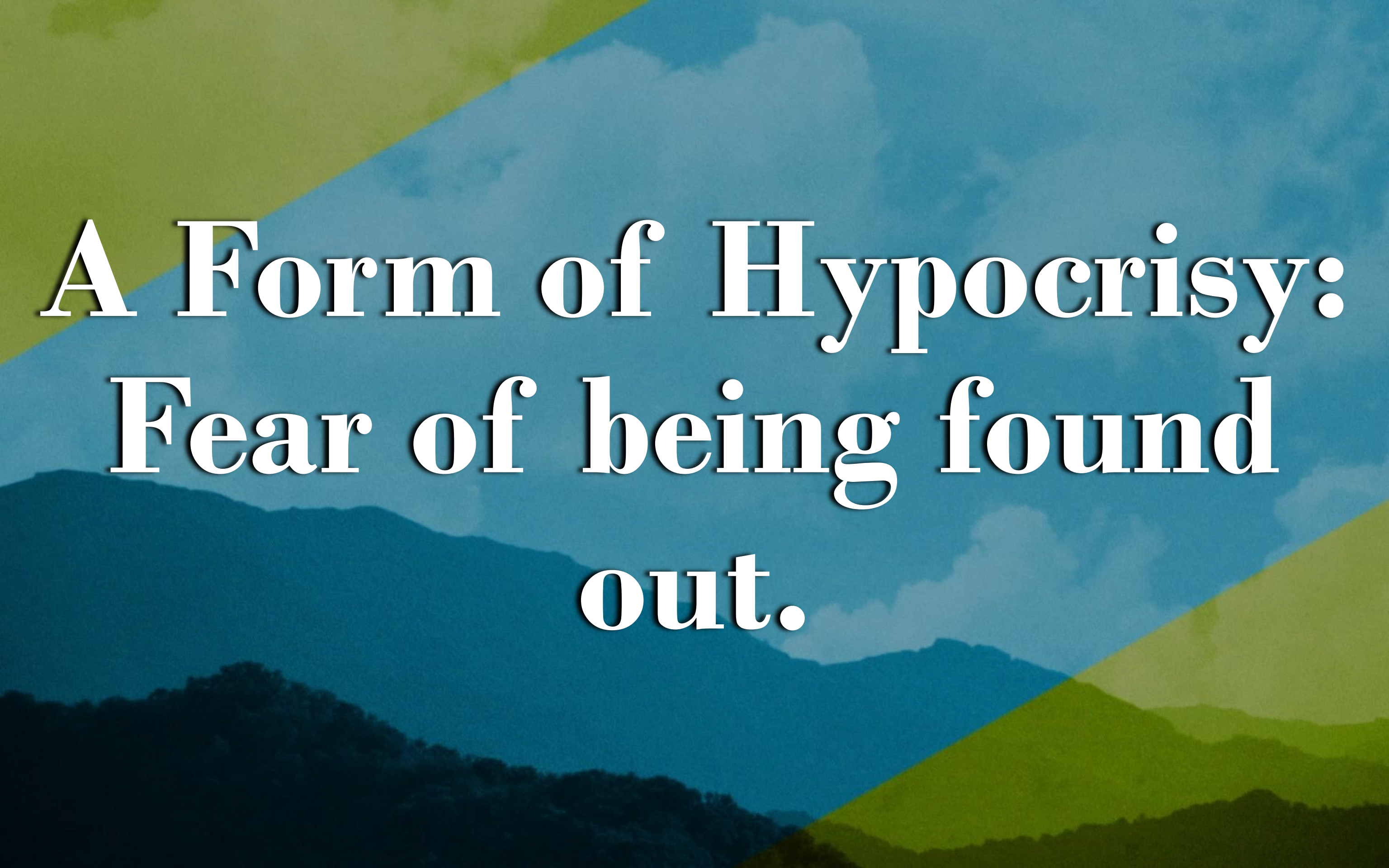
Jesus reserved his
harshes words for
HYPOCRITES.



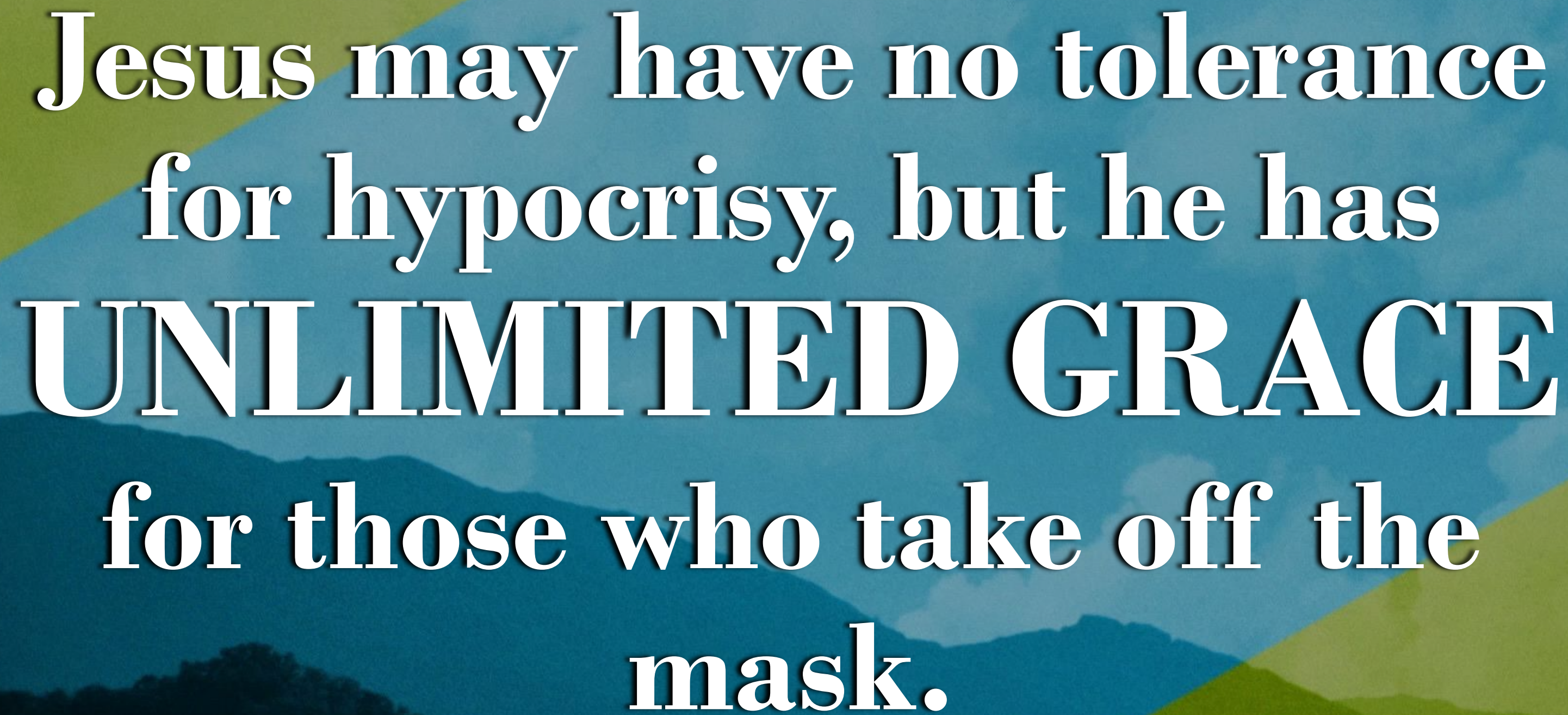
Hypocrisy is
self-deceiving.



Hypocrisy
inoculates people
to Christianity.



A Form of Hypocrisy:
Fear of being found
out.



Jesus may have no tolerance
for hypocrisy, but he has
UNLIMITED GRACE
for those who take off the
mask.

Proverbs 28:13

*Whoever conceals their
sins does not prosper, but
the one who confesses and
renounces them finds
mercy.*



Get Real with
God.



Get Real with
Others.



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