

Read Matthew 6v1-4

How do you respond to requests for charity on the high street, TV and media?

Why do we need to be noticed?

Martin compared shopping to giving: do we GIVE as if the right hand doesn't know what left hand is doing or do we SHOP this way? What are the implications of this?

Where does our reward come from? What reward do you actually long for?

The origin of the word Hypocrite is that of an actor putting on a mask on. It is a display. Does this ever ring true of you? Share if you feel comfortable.

Is there a difference between giving to the needy and giving to the church? How do you navigate this?

Martin read this quote: If you don't worship the Lord your God you will have some strange gods before you. What takes you away from the generous relationship with God and fulfilling what he has asked of you. How is worship part of our giving?

What do you think our reward will be and when might we receive this? Is it selfish to long for God's reward?

Thomas a Kempis said:

Turn to God with all your heart and Christ will come to you.

Consider and reflect on this as you allow God's word to transform your attitude to giving and worship.