

## I Have A Friend Who...

### Why Are There So Many Hypocrites In The World?

#### 1. Acknowledge the \_\_\_\_\_

a) I understand this \_\_\_\_\_

**Matthew 23:27-28** *You are like whitewashed tombs, which look beautiful on the outside but on the inside are full of the bones of the dead and everything unclean. In the same way, on the outside you appear to people as righteous but on the inside you are full of hypocrisy and wickedness.*

b) I am \_\_\_\_\_

**Luke 10:9** *To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everybody else...*

c) I am nothing more than a \_\_\_\_\_

**Isaiah 64:6** *We are all infected and impure with sin. When we display our righteous deeds, they are nothing but filthy rags.*

d) I have \_\_\_\_\_

**Ephesians 4:2** *Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love.*

e) I will spend the rest of my life \_\_\_\_\_

**Hebrews 10:14** *...because by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.*

#### 2. Begin obsessing over \_\_\_\_\_

**Matthew 7:5** *You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.*

#### 3. Restore \_\_\_\_\_

**Matthew 23:23** *“What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you are careful to tithe even the tiniest income from your herb gardens, but you ignore the more important aspects of the law—justice, mercy, and faith. You should tithe, yes, but do not neglect the more important things.*

**Luke 7:39** *“If this man were a prophet, he would know what kind of woman is touching him. She’s a sinner!”*

**Philippians 2:3** *Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves.*

**Romans 2:4** *Don’t you see how wonderfully kind, tolerant, and patient God is with you? Does this mean nothing to you? Can’t you see that his kindness is intended to turn you from your sin?*

**1 Timothy 1:15** *Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners -- of whom I am the worst. Notice that he doesn’t say he was a sinner; he says that he still is!*

**Galatians 6:1** *Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted.*

**Luke 10:9-14** *To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everybody else, Jesus told this parable: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood up and prayed about himself: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.' "But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.' "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."*

**Luke 10:27** *Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind; and, Love your neighbor as yourself.*

**1 Timothy 4:2** *These people are hypocrites and liars, and their consciences are dead.*

**1 Peter 2:1** *So get rid of all evil behavior. Be done with all deceit, hypocrisy, jealousy, and all unkind speech.*