

“Study Guide Fill in the Blanks for – “5”

“Isn’t the Church just a bunch of stuffed shirted hypocrites?”

- A. It is the question of the ages that has hindered the spiritual walk of more than just one searching pilgrim.**
- B. Chuck Swindoll says that the word “hypocrite” comes from the Greek word “hupocrites” which means: “one who answers back.”**
- C. Over the course of time the word has taken on a more negative connotation.**

A skeptic wrote: “A Christian is a man who feels repentance on Sunday for what he did on Saturday and is going to do on Monday.”

“What is our answer to the question: “Isn’t the Church just a bunch of stuffed shirted hypocrites?”

- 1. The first step may be the most painful; we need to _____ the _____; there are hypocrites in the church.
Galatians 1:11-14 Matthew 23:1-7 Matthew 23:33**
- 2. We need to immediately _____ our own lives to see if hypocrisy is living too close to home.**
- 3. When the claim is true we need to do the obvious – we need to _____.
Matthew 6:2 Matthew 6:5 Matthew 6:16**
- 4. We need to _____ when people make the accusation about hypocrisy in our church and in our life.**
- 5. We need to be aware of just how _____ hypocrisy can be to the lost, the church, and to our very own lives.
Matthew 7:3 Luke 6:46 Romans 2:1 Romans 2:21 Titus 1:16
James 2:15-16 James 3:10 Revelation 3:14-20**
- 6. Confront and refuse to participate in any activity which may be _____.
II Samuel 12:1-10, NIV**