The Secret Life of the Believer

Week 23 ~ Notes for August 7th

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Background

Subject	Matt
The Sermon on the Mount (4)	6 all

Discussion

Note, when reading Matt 6 that "When you..." indicates expected parts of the believer's life.

The secret giving of the believer

- "When you give..." v2-3.
- Consider the example of Chuck Feeney.

The secret prayers of the believer

- "When you pray..." v5-7
- Compare with some of the prayers of the OT with what Jesus taught. eg
    - Psalm 86 A prayer of David
    - 1 Kings 8:22-62 Solomon's prayer at the temple dedication
    - 2 Kings 19:14-19 Hezekiah's prayer for deliverance from Assyrians
    - Nehemiah 1:4-11 Nehemiah's prayer for help for Jerusalem
    - Daniel 9:4-19 Daniel's prayer for his people
- What makes Jesus' prayer different?

The secret fasting of the believer

- "When you fast..." v16-17

Lay up treasures in heaven

- How do you do that?

Live without anxiety

- Do not be anxious..." v25/v27/v28/v31/v34
- Really!!!