

Out of Pious Duties!

by Thomas Brooks

The sermon highlights the contrast between being engaged in pious duties and being out of them, emphasizing the importance of spiritual vitality and holiness.

Scripture: Matthew 15:8, James 1:22

Topics: "True Holiness", "Spiritual Consistency"

Description

Thomas Brooks emphasizes the stark contrast between the fervor displayed in pious duties and the coldness that often follows when individuals step away from these practices. He points out that many appear vibrant and spiritual while engaged in religious activities, yet become lifeless and worldly outside of them. This inconsistency suggests a lack of true holiness or only a minimal attainment of it. Brooks calls for a deeper, more genuine spirituality that transcends mere duty and reflects a true relationship with God.

Transcript

Ah, how lively, how warm, how enlarged, how holy, how humble, how heavenly, how spiritual, how serious, how zealous, how pious, how gracious are many--in pious duties; but ah! how dead, how cold, how straitened, how unholy, how proud, how worldly, how carnal, how slight, and how irreligious are they out of pious duties! Now, certainly, these have either no holiness at all--or else they have attained to but a very little measure of holiness.

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