

Ben Linder – Sunday 4 January 2026  
Matthew 23 – Hypocrisy Kills

Operation Paperclip

Hypocrisy is not the gap between doing and feeling; it's the gap between persona and \_\_\_\_\_ character.

Matthew 23 structure:

vv1-12 – Jesus speaks to disciples & crowds

vv13-36 – Jesus confronts the 'teachers of the law & Pharisees' with 7 'woes'

vv37-39 – Jesus laments over Jerusalem

Point 1 – Jesus calls out the religious leaders on “Operation \_\_\_\_\_”.

Matthew 23:27-28

Point 2 – Follow the Pharisees \_\_\_\_\_, but not their \_\_\_\_\_.

Matthew 23:1-9

Matthew 23:12

Humility → Love

Love of God  
Love of Neighbour

Point 3 – Jesus exposes the \_\_\_\_\_ behind their religious performance

Matthew 23:23-24 – What does Jesus accuse the religious leaders of?

Matthew 23:25-26 – What does Jesus accuse the religious leaders of?

Matthew 15:18-20a

Point 4 – Even during this \_\_\_\_\_, Jesus had already set in motion the plan to bring about \_\_\_\_\_.

Romans 5:6-8

YOUR 1 THING: