

# FALSE SPIRITUAL LEADERS

*Matthew 23:1-12*

## I. Jesus Addresses The Common People – vs. 1

*Mark 12:37b*

## II. These Hypocrites “Sat” With False Authority – vs. 2

*Kathedra* – chair or seat

*Excathedra (Latin)* – out of the place of authority

*Matthew 7:29*

*Jeremiah 14:11-14*

*Isaiah 30:9-10*

*2 Timothy 4:3-5*

*1 Timothy 4:12-16*

## III. These Hypocrites Were Without Integrity – vs. 3

*vs. 3 (Wuest Bible) – All things therefore as many as they say to you, do, and as a habit of life with a solicitous care observe...*

*Romans 3:20*

*Romans 7:22*

*Ephesians 2:10*

*1 Timothy 4:2*

IV. These Hypocrites Lorded Over The People – vs. 4

*1 Timothy 4:3*

*Galatians 1:8-9; 5:1*

*Ezekiel 34:2-5*

*Matthew 11:28-30*

V. These Hypocrites Desired To Be Seen As Spiritual By Men  
– vs. 5

*Matthew 6:1*

*Jude 16-19*

VI. These Hypocrites Sought Glory For Themselves - vs. 6-7

*Luke 4:16-21*

VII. The Heart Of A True Spiritual Leader Explained – vs. 8-12

*Rhabbi* – Teacher Latin - *Docere*

*Didaskalos* – Teacher

*Heis* - one, a certain; a reference to a single indefinite person

*Kathēgētēs* – Leader, master, guide

*John 13:12-17*

*1 Peter 5:2-4*

**Closing Thought:** True spiritual leadership is characterized by standing on Christ's authority alone, and humility that points all attention and victories toward Christ.