

**“You seek
Me,
because you
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loaves and
were filled”**

John 6:26



**Why is it
very
important
that we
examine our
Motives?**



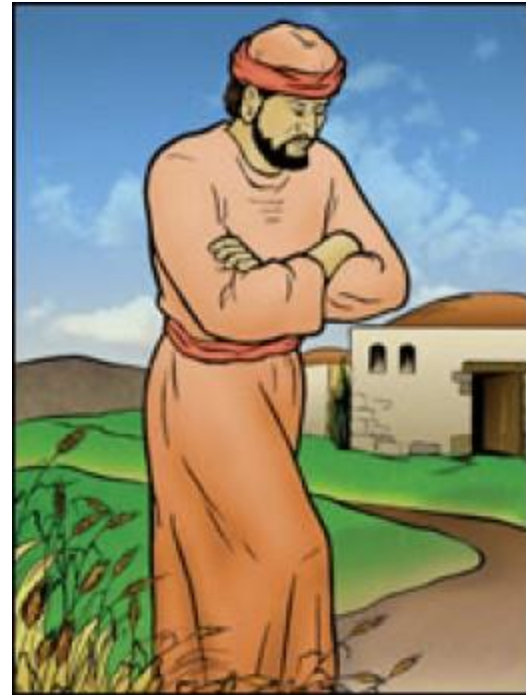
1. Many followed the Lord Christ for a wrong motive:

- Some wanted to see a sign.
- Others because He gave them food to eat
- Those who received Him on Palm Sunday were seeking an earthly king to deliver them.



2. Serving for a wrong motive might hinder us from seeing His love towards us:

Example: The older son:
“yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends” *Luke 15:29*



3. Worshiping for a wrong motive will be of no benefit to us: “Take heed that you do not do your charitable deeds before men, to be seen by them. Otherwise you have no reward from your Father in heaven” *Matthew 6:1*

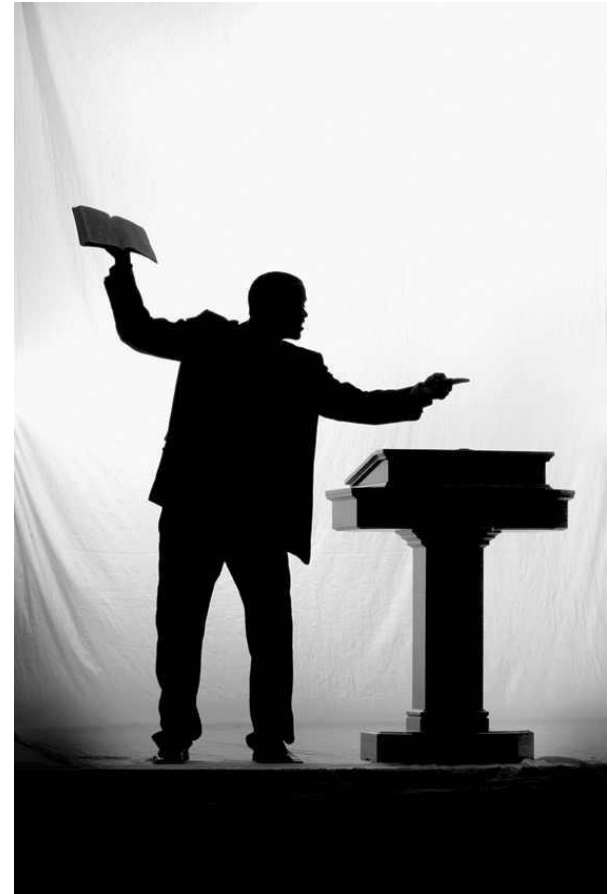


4. Good deeds for a wrong motive will not help us to complete the journey to the end.
5. Some husbands tell their wives to submit, not to sanctify them into the image of the Lord Christ (**Eph. 5**), but to manipulate them to serve their lusts.



6. Good deeds might mislead us;
motives give a clearer picture:
“Many will say to Me in that day,
‘Lord, Lord, have we not
prophesied in Your name, cast out
demons in Your name, and done
many wonders in Your name?’
And then I will declare to them, ‘I
never knew you; depart from Me,
you who practice lawlessness!’

Matthew 7:22-23



**Is it always
wrong to do
the right
deed for the
wrong
motive?**

No!

1. When we first begin to learn, we might be motivated by something earthly till we grow out of it.
2. Feeling good after completing the spiritual law of the day.



3. Coming to the church to enjoy fellowship or participate in an activity
4. Reading and studying for a test or a competition

