

FAIR-FIELDER

Catch what was said in the sermon?



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Once a **wicked** lawyer hired a **horse**.

Eventually, the **creditor** took the matter to **court**.

Going to **court** when God has a **case** against you isn't very **wise**.

They have resorted to a certain **degree** of increasingly sharp, **nasty sarcasm** (2).

God's people think that these things constitute God's **primary expectation** (2), and they are **wrong**.

Worship is not the **priority**, the inspiration, the **driver** of behavior, but the **result**, the outcome of days of **service** to the Kingdom.

We will see Matthew add **qualifiers** to the much simpler **language** that is used in **Luke**.

Third, it results in the **highest reward** possible.

The mourning indicated here should be seen as mourning **over sinfulness** (2).

Here Matthew takes up the **simply poor** (2), poor without any **spiritual commitment** to become poor.

It isn't a level of **commitment** that one attains **overnight**.