



Sermon Notes: April 12th 2026

## Stop Playing Church

Matthew 15:1-20

### Introduction:

- The Performer's \_\_\_\_\_ blinds them
- The Institutionalizer \_\_\_\_\_ stifles their growth in discipleship
- The Compartmentalizer's \_\_\_\_\_ fragments their obedience
- The Emotionalist's \_\_\_\_\_ controls their conclusions
- The Intellectual's \_\_\_\_\_ deceives them

### Observations & Conclusions: *What dangers lead to "playing church"?*

1. \_\_\_\_\_ human tradition as an authoritative substitute
2. \_\_\_\_\_ obedience to avoid responsibility
3. \_\_\_\_\_ to worship
4. \_\_\_\_\_ the condition of the heart as the source of unfitness
5. \_\_\_\_\_ to correction
6. \_\_\_\_\_ to commit to learn

### Application:

Ask: Where am I the most inclined to \_\_\_\_\_?