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the great pretender

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with your neighbors and your friends  
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in humbleness and love  
do you go to church  
to feast on holy manna from above

do you walk each day respected  
by your neighbors and your friends  
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there was a movie years ago called, the great  
pretender. amazingly, they seemed to do all things

well enough they were never discovered, jumping from one occupation to another. well, i have news my friend, there will be no pretense with God. "there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account." heb 4:13 and we must give an account. "for we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad." 2 cor 5:10

God keeps a good set of books; all the good and all the bad. we may be able to fool everyone else, even those closest to us. i have heard of people married to a serial killer and never suspected a thing. i know i'm giving my age away, but in the hayday of radio there used to be a program called "the shadow." it's motto was, "who knows what evil lurks in the heart of men."

well, God knows! "o Lord, You have searched me and known me. You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off. you comprehend my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways." psa 139:1-3 He knows us better than we know ourselves. it does no good to pretend to be something we're not.

yes, all things are naked and open to Him, so let's stop all the pretense and "worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him." john 4:23 let there be no more "vain repetitions" disguised as prayers or repentance. the Father wants us to worship, walk and live in the spirit of truth. even so heavenly Father, let it be according

to Thy will.