

SERMON APPLICATION SHEET FOR:

Rev. Tony Felich

Moral Reform Without Regeneration

Matthew 12:43-45

May 3, 2026

Sermon Text	Sermon Notes
<p>Matthew 12:43 “When the unclean spirit has gone out of a person, it passes through waterless places seeking rest, but finds none. [44] Then it says, ‘I will return to my house from which I came.’ And when it comes, it finds the house empty, swept, and put in order. [45] Then it goes and brings with it seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they enter and dwell there, and the last state of that person is worse than the first. So also will it be with this evil generation.”</p>	<p><i>You can clean up your life outwardly, but without a changed heart, something worse will move in.</i></p> <p>I. Applied to Israel in Jesus’ day</p> <p>II. Applied to churches in any generation</p> <p>III. Applied to individuals</p> <p>Memory verses for 2026-</p> <p>Ephesians 4:1–3</p> <p>[1] I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you To walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called,</p> <p>[2] with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love,</p> <p>[3] eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.</p>

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Sermon Application Questions

1. The sermon says you can “clean up your life outwardly” but still be spiritually empty. Where do you see this tension in your own life?

2. Why is an “empty” spiritual life dangerous according to this passage?

3. Jesus describes a “house” that is swept and put in order but unoccupied. What might that look like in a modern Christian context?

4. What practical habits or rhythms help ensure your life is not spiritually “empty,” but filled with the Holy Spirit? (See Ephesians 3:14-19)

5. According to Pastor Tony, what is the main mission of the Church?

Prayer Requests

This week our family will lift up requests for:

This week our family will praise the Lord for:

HFG Notes & Actions:

Next HFG meeting is: