

Sermon on the Mount

Lesson 1 – Introduction

Matthew 5-7/Luke 6:17-49

Many have called the Sermon on the Mount an _____ message for the newly chosen twelve apostles. Though it was preached on a specific mountain at a specific time, this is a wonderful example of what Jesus taught every day! Let's sit at the feet of Jesus and learn too!

“(And he came down with them (_____), and stood in the plain, and the company of his disciples,” Luke 6:17) And there followed him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and from Decapolis, and from Jerusalem, and from Judea, (“and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon,” Luke 6:17) and from beyond Jordan.” Matthew 4:25

I. The large audience included three groups – from far and near

- A. The newly chosen _____.

- B. The critical _____.

- C. The common, curious man

- D. The Language of the Crowd - Aramaic

II. Took place near Christ's home base town of _____ on a mount.

III. Recorded in Matthew and Luke

- A. Matthew was writing to the _____ -

- B. Luke was writing to the _____ -

IV. Virtually every section or theme is repeated _____ in the New Testament.

V. The Sermon on the Mount _____ the mind and heart of Christ.

- A. Kingdom – the true _____ of Christ as a whole

- B. The sermon points out the _____ manifestations of _____ and _____ of true, genuine believers
- C. The sermon is an exposition of the law and a potent _____ of Pharisaic legalism.

“Christ expounds on the depth of the law, showing that it went far beyond the surface meaning of the words and set a standard that is higher than the most diligent students of the law had realized!”

VI. Outline of the Sermon on the Mount

“Blessed are they...Ye are the salt of the earth:...Ye are the light of the world.” Matthew 5:3-11; 13-14

- A. Introduction – Beatitudes and Salt/Light Metaphors – Matthew 5:1-16

“For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall _____ the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 5:20

- B. Thesis Statement – Matthew 5:17-20

“Ye have heard...It hath been said,...Again, ye have heard...” Matthew 5:21, 27, 31, 33, 38, 43

- C. Six Contrasts of Jesus’ Teachings Versus the Law – Matthew 5:21-48

“Take heed that ye do not your _____ before men...And when thou _____, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites...Moreover when ye _____, be not, as the hypocrites...”Matthew 6:1, 5, 16

- D. Three Contrasts - True or Hypocritical Worship – Matthew 6:1-18

“But seek ye _____ the kingdom of God and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.” Matthew 6:33

- E. Commands Concerning Possessions – Matthew 6:19-34

“Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should _____ to you, _____ ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.” Matthew 7:12

- F. Commands Concerning Relationships – Matthew 7:1-12

Length of the Sermon on the Mount –

“_____ ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:” Matthew 7:13

G. Invitation to Choose – Matthew 7:13-27

Believer’s Application:

“And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were _____ at his doctrine: ²⁹ For he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.” Matthew 7:28-29

As we begin to walk through these words from the lips of Jesus,

1. **Let’s** _____ to eagerly listen and soak up His words.
2. **Let’s** _____ right now to be sensitive to the Holy Spirit, be open to Jesus’ words, and obey them.
3. **Let’s be** _____ to confess our sins, repent of our wrong direction and go Christ’s way. For He “is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.” Remember, “no man cometh unto the Father but by...” him.”
4. **Let’s** _____ what we have heard. Oh, we are so forgetful. We may be emotionally energized to change, which happens all the time – getting fit, losing weight, changing a bad habit,- but as time passes and we fail over and over again, we push words and commitments aside, soon forget them altogether, and go back to our defaults.
5. **Let’s be** _____ along with those on the hillside that day, at the authority and power of our wonderful Lord. And commit to be faithful followers throughout our lifetime!