

Sermon on the Mount



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THE BEATITUDES (MATTHEW 4:23-5:12)

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ICEBREAKER



- *WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE SONG OR TV SHOW AS A KID, AND WHY?*

I. THE KING IS AMONG US! HIS KINGDOM IS HERE!

- Jesus was a teacher, a preacher, and a healer. How would the outside world react if those three qualities became what every church was known for?
- Jesus is proclaiming the good news of a new kingdom where he rules and we follow his leadership. It's one thing to believe in Jesus, but what does it look like to actually be a citizen and loyal subject of His kingdom?

II. THIS GOSPEL IS FOR ALL PEOPLE!

- The Jews wanted to kill Jesus while the lost wanted to be around Him. Do you think those not following Jesus are as drawn to him today as they were in Matt. 4:24-5:1? Why or why not?
- The gospel of Jesus is for everyone, regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, social background, or any other factor. When interacting with people who think, live, or believe differently than you, how can you intentionally reflect both the truth and the love of Jesus through YOUR words, actions, and character?

III. THE SALVATION FOR ALL PEOPLE AND ALL THINGS IS IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD!

- Read Matt. 5:2-12. What Jesus was communicating is that we are blessed no matter what we're facing or living with when we surrender it to Him. How does that change the way you view your current struggles?
- The blessings that Jesus described are found in Him, not earned through our good works. What are you struggling with right now that you need to lay before God so you can see His blessing in this season?

ACT ON IT



ENCOURAGE

You may be experiencing internal worry, external persecution, waves of grief, hunger, or even anger. We all have our own difficulties and trials to face. But with Jesus, we can STILL have joy and peace as he builds our character through our experiences. Seek the Lord in the midst of what you face... let the light in, and He will reveal His will and purpose for this season. (James 1:2-4)



ASK

Think about the following scripture and bring it into your prayer time with the Lord. Let God reveal what parts of your life you need to invite Him into:

“Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!” (Psalm 139:23-24)



CHALLENGE

The world needs to know Jesus, and we've been commissioned to make Him known. Let's ask ourselves... are we making Him famous or glorifying our struggles? When you find yourself dealing with or communicating about something difficult this week, take that moment to verbally name three things that God has blessed you with during this season.

PRAYER

Use these prompts to help guide your prayer:

- Let our actions glorify God.
- Help us to teach, preach, and heal people in Jesus' name.
- Give us the strength to surrender our struggles to God.
- Help us open ourselves to receive God's blessings.