

Sermon Notes -- The Sermon on the Mount Matthew 4:12-5:16

In The Sermon on the Mount, Jesus tells us how we should live. And it shocks us every time we read it.

Why does Jesus preach the Sermon on the Mount? In response to what misunderstanding?

Read Matthew 4:12-17 -- Jesus Begins To Preach

“Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is near!”

What is sin? Sin is mainly broken relationships.

Read Matthew 4:18-22 -- Calling the Disciples

Jesus' request is simple but serious.

“Follow Me and I will make you fishers of men.”

Meaning if you follow Jesus, He will make you transformers of society. People will be drawn to you so that they can change.

Read Matthew 4:23-25 -- Healing of Many

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people....

Why are people coming to see Jesus? One reason, they don't want to be sick anymore.

Jesus Preaches the Sermon on the Mount so People Clearly Understand His Purpose

Read Matthew 5:1-16 -- Blessed are...

Jesus talks about who will be blessed.

- Broken people will be blessed.
- Good people will be blessed.
- Insulted good people will be really blessed.

And who will do all this blessing?

Read Matthew 5:13-16 – Salt and Light

You will do the blessing. That is what it means to follow Jesus

- to be a blessing to the poor
- to be a shoulder for the sad
- to be the strength of the weak
- to have a passion to do what is right
- to be the first one to forgive
- to have a pure attitude toward people
- to help others make peace

Conclusion:

As a follower of Jesus Christ, as an heir to the Kingdom of God, it is your calling to not just hope for a blanket forgiveness or maybe even a miraculous healing of your life or finances, but it is your call to be the light of the world, the salt of the earth, fishers of men and women, to lure them into a life change.

Jesus wants you to be all about restoring relationships. What is it that you need to release? What is it that you need to let go? Let's take out a few of your roadblocks today. We've all got roadblocks. But let's remove a few today.

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