### The Authentication of the King

§ § 28-59

Jesus proves to be the Messiah in the initial acceptance of His person and His authority shown in His works and teaching

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# Introduction of the King s s 1-27

**Arrival** 

**Ambassador** 

- Ancestry
- Advent
- Infancy/ Childhood

Approval

- Baptism
- Temptation
- Herald

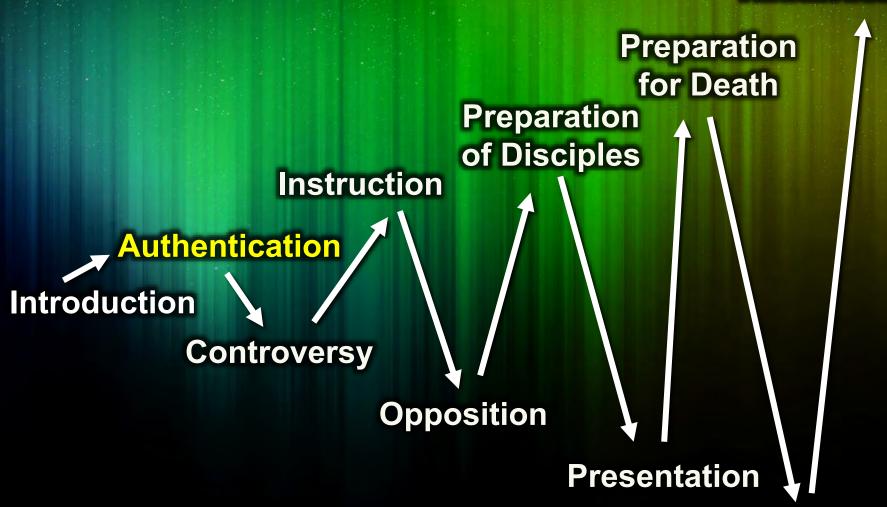


- 1. Introduction of the King
- 2. Authentication of the King
- 3. Controversy over the King
- 4. Instruction of the Twelve by the King
- 5. Opposition to the King
- 6. Preparation of the Disciples by the King
- 7. Official Presentation of the King
- 8. Preparation for the Death of the King
- 9. Rejection of the King
- 10. Resurrection of the King



#### Increasing Polarization

Resurrection



Rejection

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## The Authentication of the King

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### The Acceptance of His Person

§ § 28-36

Christ is initially accepted in Judea, Samaria, and Galilee by His new disciples and by the multitudes

#### 1. The Belief of the First Disciples

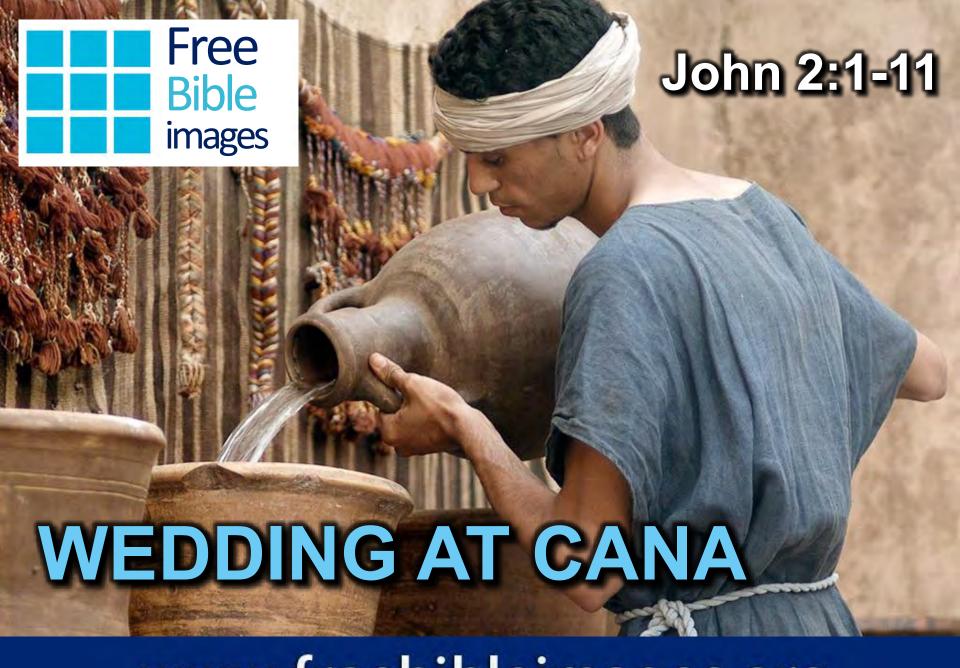
§ 28 John 1:35-51

Simon Peter, Andrew, John, and Nathaniel confess faith in Christ's person, work, and office as Messiah of Israel

### 2. The Belief Through the First Miracle

§ 29 John 2:1-11

Jesus confirms John's disciples and others by turning water into wine to reveal his glory as God's Son and the joy he gives to believers



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#### 3. The Sojourn in Capernaum

§ 30 John 2:12

Jesus further verifies the faith of His disciples in His Messianic identity in Capernaum before starting His first public ministry in Judea

#### 4. The Possession of the Temple

§ 31 John 2:13-22

Jesus shows His Messianic authority in His zeal for the Temple, which He promises to authenticate in His death and resurrection



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# 5. Acceptance in Judea

§ 32 John 2:23–3:21

Judeans accept Jesus, as does Nicodemus, who sees that Jesus reveals God and gives spiritual birth to enter the kingdom

### 6. The Witness of John

§ 33 John 3:22-36

John declares Christ's superiority as a heavenly Revealer of the Father for people to have eternal life instead of God's wrath

### 7. The Withdrawal from Judea

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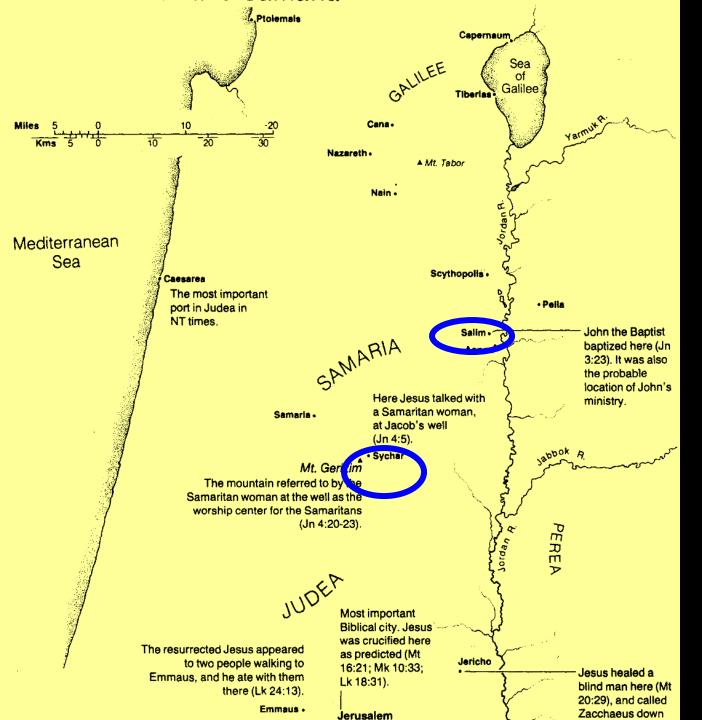
Matthew 4:12; Mark 1:14; Luke 3:19-20; John 4:1-4

Christ transfers from Judea to Galilee to avoid potential conflict with John and premature death by the Pharisees

# 8. The Acceptance in Samaria

§ 35 John 4:5-42

Samaritans believe in Jesus as Messiah through a woman at the well who accepts His person and the eternal life He came to give



# Jesus in Judea and Samaria



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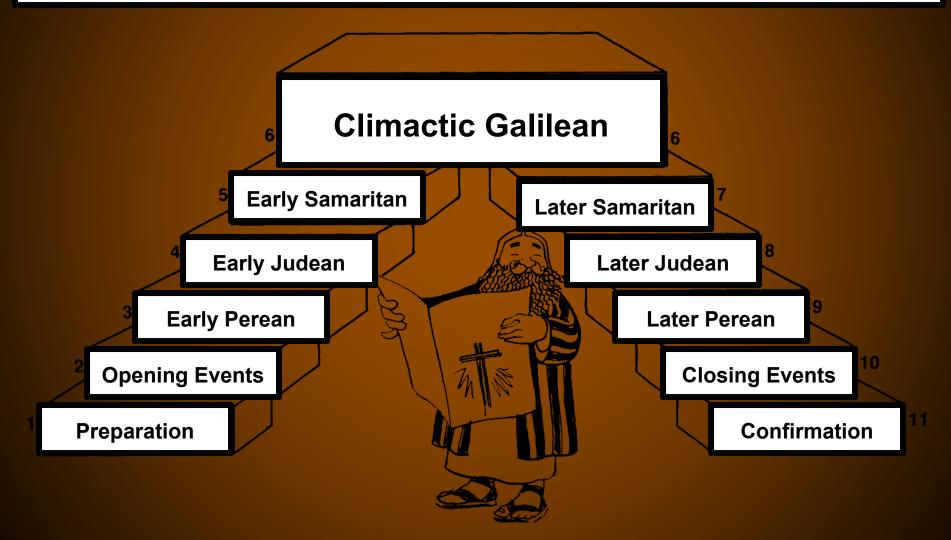
## 9. The Acceptance in Galilee

§ 36 John 4:43-45

Galileans welcome and honor Jesus as a Galilean after His Jerusalem Passover miracles, but He predicts their future rejection

#### **Great Periods in the Life of Christ**

"The Son of Man... came to minister and to give his life a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45)

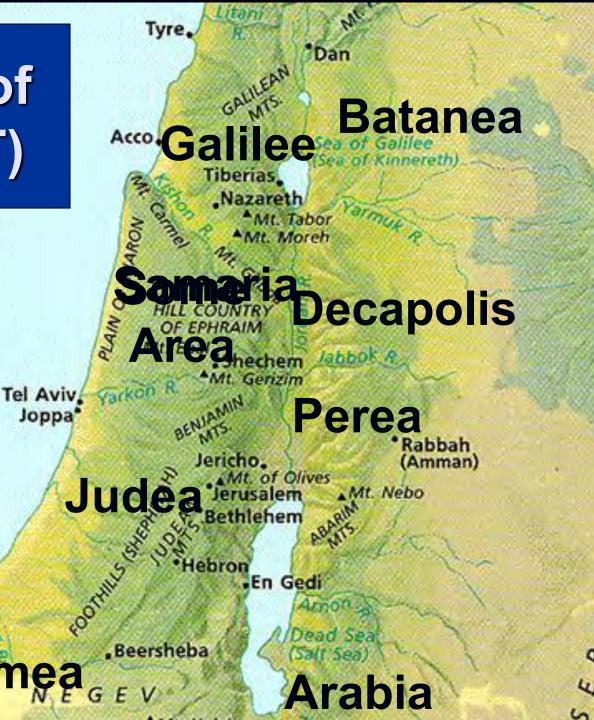


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# The Authentication of the King

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## The Authority of the King

§ § 37-59

Jesus substantiates His authority as Messiah through His miracles and teachings that authenticate Himself and His message

#### 1. Christ's Authority to Preach

§ 37 Matthew 4:17; Mark 1:15; Luke 4:14-15

Christ preaches as a Spirit-appointed teacher and prophet the same repentance to enter the Messianic kingdom that John declared

### 2. Christ's Authority Over Disease

§ 38 John 4:46-54

Jesus shows His messianic authority by healing a royal official's son based on the official's faith in Christ's word alone

#### 3. Rejection in Nazareth

§ 39 Luke 4:16-30

Jesus cites Isaiah 61:1-2 in Nazareth for His messianic authority to heal and preach to Gentiles, but His hometown rejects Him

#### 4. Residence in Capernaum

§ 40 Matthew 4:13-16

After rejection in Nazareth, Jesus moves to Capernaum to foreshadow His ministry to Gentiles after Israel rejects him as Messiah

#### 5. Christ's Authority Over Nature

§ 41 Matthew 4:18-22; Mark 1:16-20; Luke 5:1-11

Christ confirms His authority over nature in a miraculous catch of fish, so four fishermen follow His authority instead of their father's

### 6. Christ's Authority Over Demons

§ 42 Mark 1:21-28; Luke 4:31-37

Christ shows his authority to expel a demon that knew Him as the Messiah, but He would not allow the testimony of demons



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## 7. Christ's Authority Over Sickness

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Matthew 8:14-17; Mark 1:29-34; Luke 4:38-41

Christ heals Peter's mother-in-law and others to show his messianic authority over sickness but again rejects the witness of demons

### The Power & Authority of Messiah in Matthew 8–10

Miracles & Discipleship (8:1–9:34)

Delegation of Authority to Disciples (9:35–10:42)

"That evening many demonpossessed people were brought to
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prophet Isaiah, who said,
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and removed our diseases'"
(Matt. 8:16-17; cf. Isa. 53:4)

"Jesus called his twelve disciples together and gave them authority to cast out evil spirits and to heal every kind of disease and illness" (Matt. 10:1).

#### 8. Christ's Authority to Preach

§ 44

Matthew 4:23-25; Mark 1:35-39; Luke 4:42-44

Jesus heals many and preaches that God honored His covenant promises by sending Him, showing His ever-widening ministry

### 9. Christ's Authority Over Defilement

§ 45 Matthew 8:2-4; Mark 1:40-45; Luke 5:12-16

Jesus' healing of a leper shows His authority as Messiah for the Sanhedrin to consider Him when the leper presents himself in Jerusalem

### 10. Christ's Authority to Forgive Sin

§ 46

Matthew 9:1-8; Mark 1:41-45; Luke 5:17-26

Through healing the paralytic, Jesus maintains that as Messiah and God, He has the authority to forgive sin

















































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## 11. Christ's Authority Over Men

§ 47 Matthew 9:9-13; Mark 2:13-17; Luke 5:27-32

Jesus calls Matthew from his tax-collector booth due to His Messianic authority over and His acceptance of all repentant sinners

## 12. Christ's Authority Over Tradition

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Matthew 9:14-17; Mark 2:18-22; Luke 5:33-39

Jesus declares that His disciples do not fast due to His authority as Messiah over tradition in a new system, contrary to the Pharisees

## 13. Christ's Authority Over the Sabbath

§ § 49-51

Jesus shows that He is over the Sabbath by two healings and by defending his disciples with God's view of the Sabbath

## a. Through the Healing of the Paralytic

§ 49 John 5:1-47

Jesus heals a paralytic to verify His authority over the Sabbath as Messiah (Son of Man) and deity (Son of God)



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#### The Significance of John's Seven Signs

Sign	Eternal Life Teaching	Application	
1. Changing water into wine at Cana (2:1-11)*	The joy of eternal life	If He can transform water, He can change me	
2. Healing of official's son in Capernaum (4:46-54)*	The condition of eternal life (faith)	I am never too far away to be in His care	
3. Healing the invalid at the Pool of Bethesda (5:1-18)*	The power to live the life	No limitation surpasses His authority	
4. Feeding the 5000 near the Sea of Galilee (6:16-21)	The food for eternal life	Jesus can meet our deepest needs	AAAA
5. Walking on water in the Sea of Galilee (6:5- 14)	Guidance for eternal life	Jesus is Lord of life's storms	
6. Healing the man born blind (9:1-7)*	Light for eternal life	Jesus offers spiritual and physical sight to the willing	or or
7. Raising Lazarus from the dead in Bethany (11:1-45)*	Victory of life over death	Jesus Christ is Lord of life and death	

# b. Through the Controversy Over Grain

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Matthew 21:1-8; Mark 2:23-28; Luke 6:1-5

Christ says His disciples may pick Sabbath grain by exceptions of necessity to show authority over it as God to be trusted

# c. Through Healing the Man With the Withered Hand

§ 51 Matthew 12:9-14; Mark 3:1-6; Luke 6:6-11

Jesus shows his authority over the Sabbath by healing a withered hand to model doing good on it and reveal Pharisaical hypocrisy

# 14. Christ's Authority to Heal

§ 52 Matthew 12:15-21; Mark 3:7-12

Christ shows his authority to heal both Jews and Gentiles as Messiah with compassion, gentleness, and mercy to fulfill Isaiah 42:1-4

## 15. Commissioning of the Twelve

§ 53 Mark 3:13-19; Luke 6:12-16

After a night in prayer, Christ chooses from among the disciples twelve apostles to be His authoritative representatives in His work

## Commissioning of the Twelve



# 16. Christ's Authority to Interpret the Law

§ § 54-56 Matthew 5:1-7:29; Luke 6:17-42

Jesus' Sermon on the Mount shows God's holiness in His subjects, His fulfilling the Law, and kingdom entrance in Jesus, not Pharisees

# The Sermon on the Mount (An Introduction to Matthew 5–7)



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# The Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5–7)



#### Mount of Beatitudes (Matthew 5-7)



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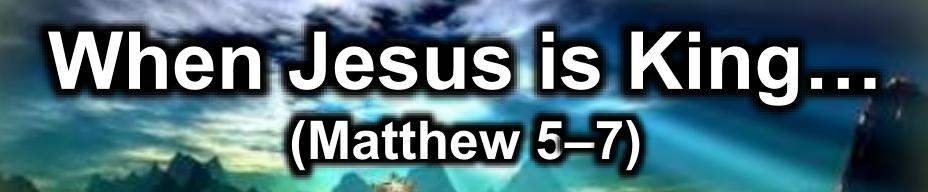


## Heaven on Earth (Matthew 5–7)



#### Purpose of the Sermon (Matthew 5-7)





What would your life look like if Christ was truly the boss of your life?

#### Back to Basics (Matthew 5:21-48)

"You have heard that it was said..." <u>6 Issues:</u>

Murder

Adultery

Divorce

Vows

Revenge

**Enemies** 

"But I tell you..."

External purity won't enter the kingdom (20)

God's True Intent

Pharisee Teaching

## a. The Subjects of the Kingdom

§ 54 Matthew 5:1-16; Luke 6:17-26

Those entering Messiah's kingdom should show godly character beyond Pharisaical rites befitting the righteous kingdom Christ offered



"For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven" (5:20 NIV).

## (1) Introduction

Matthew 5:1-2; Luke 6:17-19

Christ instructs his disciples on the righteousness expected of those in his kingdom while the crowd begins to gather

## (2) The subjects

Matthew 5:3-16; Luke 6:20-26

Christ describes the characteristics and influence of a righteous man to show the type of person blessed in the kingdom

## (a) Their character

Matthew 5:3-12; Luke 6:20-26

The Beatitudes describe the holy traits of the righteous person based on Jesus to experience a blessed life



#### The Revelation of the King (Matt 1–10)



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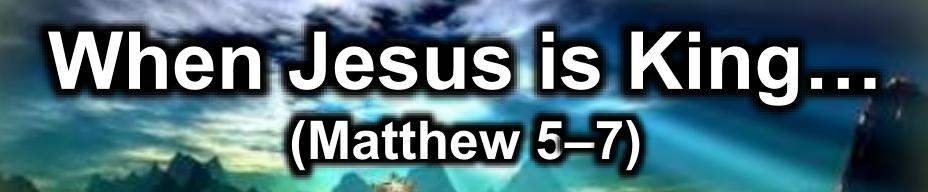
# Are Beatitudes LAWS on how you get into the kingdom (eternal life)?



#### Purpose of the Sermon (Matthew 5–7)

- A way to be saved?
- A charter for world peace?
- A model for the millennium?

An ethic for believers now?



What would your life look like if Christ was truly the boss of your life?

#### **POOR IN SPIRIT**

**MOURN** 

**MEEK** 

**HUNGER & THIRST FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS** 

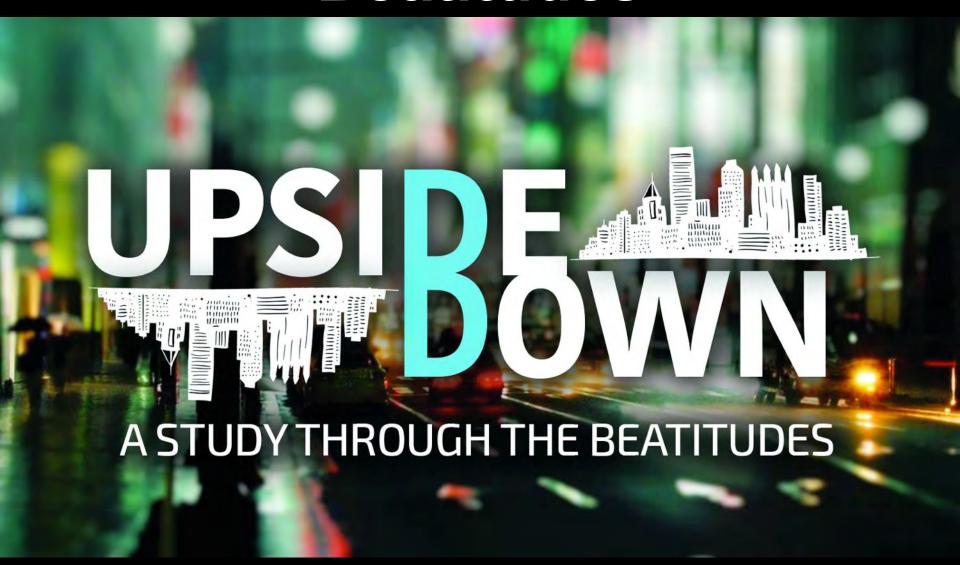
**MERCIFUL** 

**PURE OF HEART** 

**PEACEMAKERS** 

**PERSECUTED** 

### Beatitudes



#### ...for theirs is the kingdom of heaven

...for they will...

be comforted

inherit the earth

be filled

be shown mercy

see God

be called sons of God

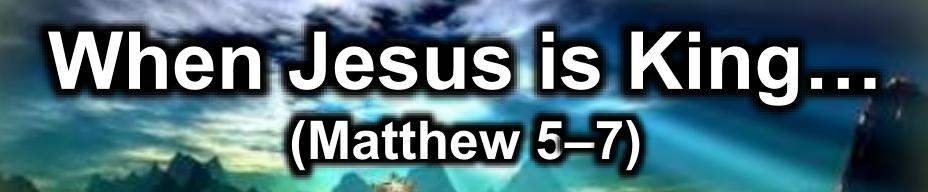
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# Results of What to do about these believing in Christ (1-11) results (12)

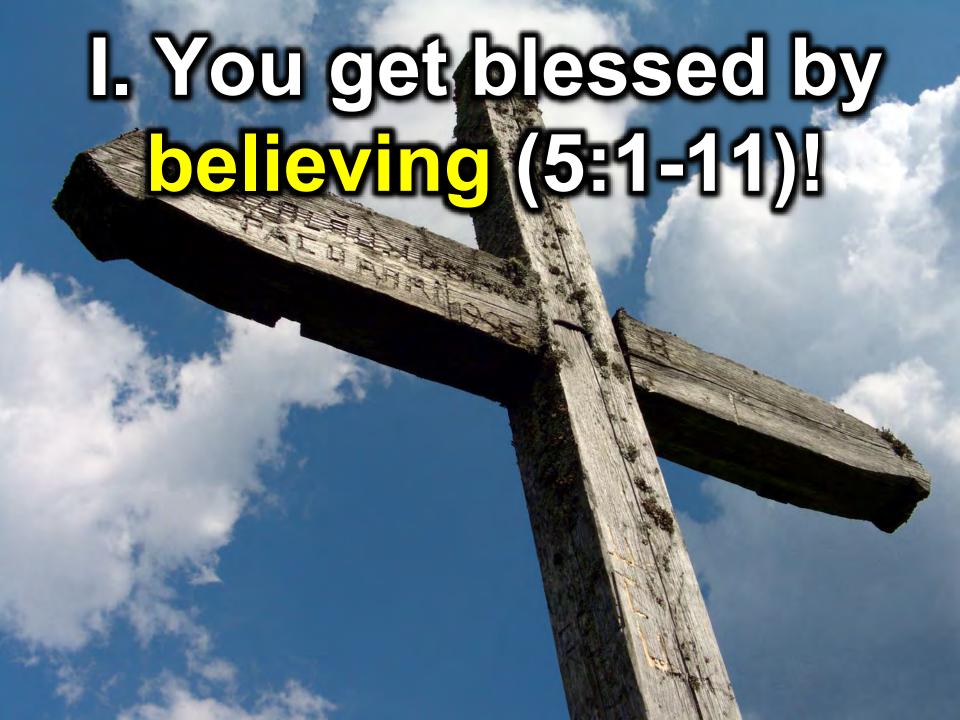
# How can you get blessed in life?







What would your life look like if Christ was truly the boss of your life?





### II. Be glad to suffer for Christ (5:12)!

#### (b) Their influence

Matthew 5:13-16

A righteous person creates a thirst for God in others by revealing God's righteousness, exposing sin, and attracting them to the Lord

#### How can we bless others?



#### Direct others to God.

Main Idea

#### Direct others to God.





Main Idea



# II. Lead people to God so they'll praise him (5:14-16).

#### Be involved...

"Both metaphors of salt and light raise important questions about Christian involvement in society regarding all forms of separatism or withdrawal. We are not called to control secular power structures; neither are we promised that we can Christianize the legislation and values of the world. But we must remain active preservative agents, indeed irritants, in calling the world to heed God's standards. We dare not form isolated Christian enclaves to which the world pays no attention."

### b. The Relation of the King to the Law

§ 55 Matthew 5:17–7:6; Luke 6:27-42

Jesus fulfills the Law by replacing Pharisaic views and practices with kingdom entrance in Christ's righteousness rather than in the Law

#### (1) The Fulfiller

Matthew 5:17-20

Christ fulfills all that the Law and prophets required, so Pharisaic righteousness cannot save as it misconstrues the Law's true intent

## (2) Rejection of traditional interpretation of the law

Matthew 5:21-48

Pharisees misinterpreted the Law, so it saved no one and neglected the second table of the law about proper conduct toward others

#### (a) Murder

Matthew 5:21-26

Exceeding Pharisaic righteousness preserves life and avoids the anger, hatred, and unreconciled relationships that lead to murder

## How can you sustain great relationships?









#### (b) Adultery

Matthew 5:27-30

Exceeding Pharisaic righteousness will be faithful to one's spouse but also remove lust and its causes that lead to adultery

#### (c) Divorce

Matthew 5:31-32

Exceeding Pharisaic righteousness avoids not only legal divorce but all divorce lest the divorcee commit adultery when she remarries

#### How can you defend marriage?



## I. Don't let marriage be devalued (Matt 5:31).





#### (d) Oaths

Matthew 5:33-37

Exceeding Pharisaic righteousness avoids not only taking ambiguous oaths but also speaks so oath-taking is unnecessary

#### (e) Retaliation

Matthew 5:38-42

Exceeding Pharisaic righteousness not only avoids retaliation but also gives up rights in godliness

#### (f) Love

Matthew 5: 43-48; Luke 6:27-30, 32-36

Exceeding Pharisaic righteousness not only loves a neighbor who repays favors but loves his enemy who will never repay favors

#### **Enemies: The How and Why**



enemy (43-44)

How to treat your Why treat your enemy like that (45-48)



## II. Blessing your enemy shows Christ's higher law (5:45-48).



## (3) Rejection of the Pharisaic practices of the law

Matthew 6:1-7:6; Luke 6:37-42

Pharisees misinterpreted the Law, so they no one into the kingdom but only had hypocritical practices for show rather than true Godward righteousness

#### Parallel Structure (Matt 6)

GIVING (1-4) PRAYER (5-15)

FASTING (16-18)

Hypocrites (2)

Public show (1-2)

Hypocrites (5)

Public show (5)

Hypocrites (16)

Human

Reward (2)

Secret (4)

Human Reward (5)

Secret (6)

Public show (16)

Human Reward (16)

Secret (18)

Father sees (4) Father sees (6, 8) Father sees (18)

#### Rewards for Righteousness (Matt. 6:1-7:6)

Don't do this...

Pharisee Practice 6 More Issues:

**Giving** Prayer Fasting Investing Trust Judging

Do this instead...

Pure Practice

"Watch out! Don't do your good deeds publicly, to be admired by others, for you will lose the reward from your Father in heaven" (6:1 NLT)

#### (a) Almsgiving

Matthew 6:1-4

The Pharisaical practice of public almsgiving only showed piety rather than the love of God by meeting a need

#### (b) Prayer

**Matthew 6:5-15** 

The Pharisaical practice of public prayer should be private prayer of worship, requests, confession, protection, and forgiveness

#### (c) Fasting

Matthew 6:16-18

The Pharisaical practice of public fasting should be done privately before God to receive a reward only from Him

### (d) Attitude toward wealth

Matthew 6:19-24

The Pharisaical practice of gaining riches as a sign of God's approval should be replaced with eternal investments that cannot be lost

### (e) Lack of faith

Matthew 6:25-34

The Pharisaical practice of despising faith by greed should become trust in God to provide food and clothing as one seeks the kingdom

### (f) Judging

Matthew 7:1-6; Luke 6:37-42

The Pharisaical practice of judging others by one's morals that assumed motives should not judge others until his own life is pure

# c. Instruction to Those Who Would Enter the Kingdom

§ 56 Matthew 7:7-29

Despite the Pharisees' rejection, Jesus teaches God's ethics to those who want to experience a full life in His kingdom

### (1) Prayer

**Matthew 7:7-11** 

God answers persistent prayer as a Father who meets His children's needs, not due to endless repetitions like the Pharisees did

### (2) True righteousness

Matthew 7:12; Luke 6:31, 43-45

Treating others as one desires to be treated himself demonstrates true righteousness

### (3) The way of access

Matthew 7:13-14

Christ invites kingdom entrance through Him as the only way instead of the false, broad way of the Pharisees that brings destruction

### (4) Warning to false teachers

Matthew 7:15-23

Pharisees are false prophets with godless lives whom God will judge for external piety without knowing Jesus for kingdom entrance

### (5) The two foundations

Matthew 7:24-8:1; Luke 6:46-49

Jesus contrasts trust in Pharisaism with faith in the King to show that one's destiny is determined by their response to His message

# 17. Recognition of Christ's Authority in Capernaum

§ 57 Matthew 8:5-13; Luke 7:1-10

Jesus heals a centurion's servant at a distance to picture salvation extended to Gentiles in response to Israel's rejection

### The Power & Authority of Messiah in Matthew 8–10

Miracles & Discipleship (8:1–9:34)

Delegation of Authority to Disciples (9:35–10:42)

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# 18. Recognition of Christ's Authority in Nain

§ 58 Luke 7:11-17

Christ proves His authority over death by restoring life to the widow of Nain's son, once again proving that He is the Messiah

### 19. Witness of the Twelve

§ 59

Matthew 9:35-11:1; Mark 6:6b-13; Luke 9:1-6

Jesus delegates to 12 apostles His Messianic authority over demons, sickness, and disease so they can preach that the kingdom is near

### The Power & Authority of Messiah in Matthew 8-10

Miracles & **(**8:1–9:34)

**Authority to Disciples Discipleship (**9:35–10:42)

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**Delegation of** 



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### <u>Outline</u>

- L Themes of the Book
- II. Context of the Passage
- III. An Exposition of the Passage
- **IV. Homiletical Conclusion**

#### I. Themes of the Book

A. Jesus in Matthew

B. The Kingship of Jesus in Matthew 10

### Jesus in Matthew

The Hope of Israel, long-awaited Messiah

**Blessing for Gentiles alike** 

The Legitimate King & Ruler

### The Kingship of Jesus in Matthew 10

Matt 10:1,
"...gave them authority to..."

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- The right to control or command, authority, absolute power, warrant.
- Power exercised by rulers or others in high position by virtue of their office, ruling power, official power.

### II. Context of the passage



The Bridge

The Immediate Context of the Passage

Division of the Passage

### The Bridge (Matt. 9:36–10:4)



The harvest is plentiful

But the workers are few



#### The Immediate Context of the Passage

- **9:36**: But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion for them, because they were distressed and scattered, as sheep not having a shepherd.
- **9:37**: Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest indeed is plenteous, but the laborers are few.
- **9:38**: Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest, that he send forth laborers into his harvest.
- **10:1** And he called unto him his twelve disciples, and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of disease and all manner of sickness. (ASV)

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#### **Chapter Ten**

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# Division of the Passage: 10:5-42

<u>10:5-16</u>

10:17-42

Instructions

Looking ahead toward

For

coming persecution,

Ministry

circumstances

During

after His death

Jesus'

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resurrection

#### III. An Exposition of the Passage

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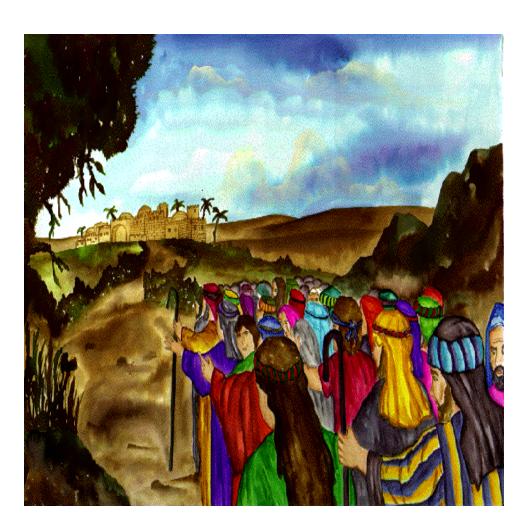
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# The Previous Call of Disciples: Matt. 4:19-22



Disciples were chosen earlier.

Matt. 4:19-22

"Jesus called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father and follow him" (vs. 21b-22).

# The re-gathering of disciples for urgent needs (Matthew 10:1-4).

Now the names of the twelve apostles are listed



The first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother;

James the *son* of Zebedee, and John his brother;

Philip, and Bartholomew;

Thomas, and Matthew the publican;

James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus;

Simon the Cananaean, zealot, and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed him.

### Comparing the Synoptics

#### Matthew 10

"...the harvest indeed is plenteous, but the laborers are few... And He called unto him his twelve disciples, and gave them authority These twelve Jesus sent forth, and charged the<u>m</u>,...

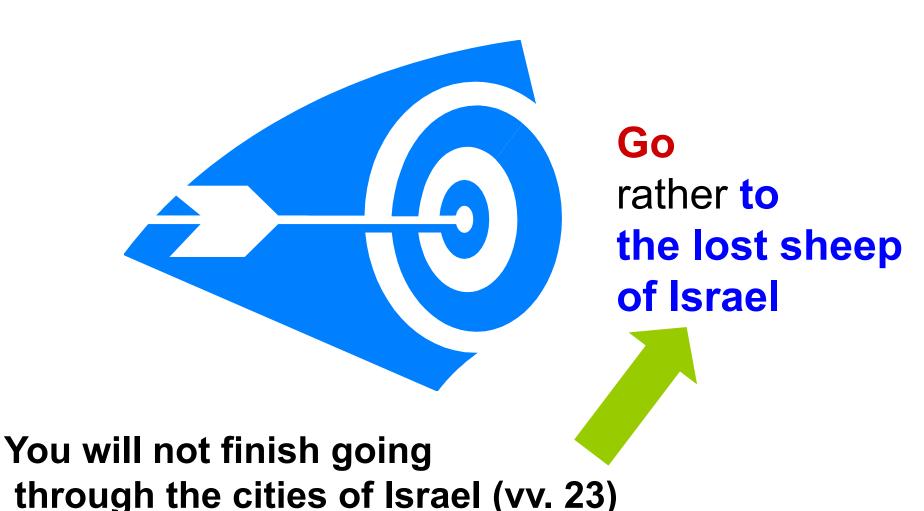
#### **Mark** 6:7ff

"...And he calleth Unto him the twelve, and began to send them forth by two and two and he gave them authority over the unclean spirits;... and he charged them that they..."

#### Luke 10

"Now after these things the Lord appointed <del>seve</del>nty others, and sent them two and two... The harvest indeed is plenteous, but the laborers are few: Go your ways; behold, I send you forth..."

# **Definite Target Group**Matthew 10:6

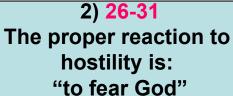


# Instructions regarding the future Matthew 10:17-42



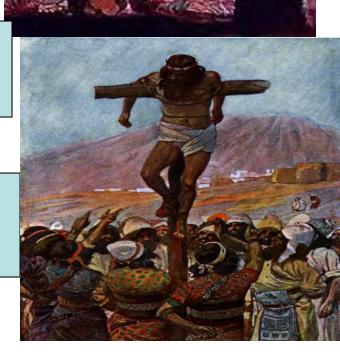
1) 17-25

The prospect of future hostility: Persecution





3) 32-42
Personal Choice:
Acknowledge Jesus or
Reject Jesus



### Principle

Jesus never guaranteed disciples (or us) that there would not be hardship, difficulties, problems, and persecution etc. in their ministry, rather

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You will be...



"...but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you"

Matthew 10:20 (NIV)

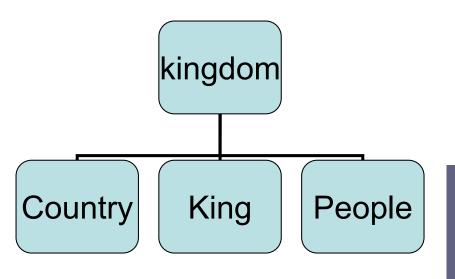
34"Don't imagine that I came to bring peace to the earth! I came not to bring peace, but a sword. 35 have come to set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. <sup>36</sup>Your enemies will be right in your own household!" (Matt. 10:34-36 NLT)

Jesus promised family opposition

### Message: Matt. 10:5-42

As you go, preach this message: "The kingdom of God is near" (vs. 7)

#### The components of a kingdom



#### **Kingdom of God means**

- 1. the act of ruling

  kingship, royal power, royal rule

  the royal reign of God

  (usually rendered 'kingdom of God)
- 2. territory ruled by a king, kingdom

Be prepared! The reign and ruling power of God is near because the King (Jesus) is coming soon.

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# Homiletical Homiletical Conclusion



### How could Jesus use the men He had chosen? After all...

>None of them occupied a prominent place in the synagogue

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But they all were in their Master's hands who could make them sharp and mold them better



# Personal Response Personal Response



"...I besought Him to give me some work to do for Him, as an outlet for love and gratitude; some self-denying service, no matter what it might be, however trying or however trivial; something with which He would be pleased, and that I might do for Him who had done so much for me..."

J. Hudson Taylor, *A Retrospect: The Call to Serve* (Overseas Missionary Fellowship, n.d.), 300

"...He was uneducated, unordained, unconnected (with a mission society), and uncouth. And if that was not enough, he was short (Maria was tall), and he wore Chinese clothes."

Ruth A. Tucker, From Jerusalem to Irian Jaya, 191

(A letter from Miss. Aldersey to Maria's uncle)

J. Hudson Taylor became known as the founder of China Inland Mission.

### How about me or you?

#### I Love to Tell the Story

1. I love to tell the story of unseen things above Of Jesus and His glory, Of Jesus and His love I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true; It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory. To tell the old, old story, of Jesus and His Love. 2. I love to tell the story, 'tis pleasant to repeat. What seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet. I love to tell the story, for some had never heard. The message of Salvation, from God's own holy Word.



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