



MATTHEW 5:1-12

Introduction

- Matthew's gospel alternates between stories and _____, with the infancy story at the beginning and the resurrection story at the end.
 - The Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7 ... Luke 6:17-49)
 - The Missions Sermon (Matthew 10)
 - The Kingdom Parables (Matthew 13)
 - The Church Sermon (Matthew 18)
 - The Apocalyptic (Olivet) Discourse (Matthew 23-25)
- Various Interpretations of the Sermon on the Mount:
 - _____ ... The sermon applies to those who take monastic vows.
 - _____ ... The sermon tells us how to earn our place in heaven.
 - _____ ... The sermon is a template for a pacifist government.
 - _____ ... The sermon tells us how to be good, nice, decent people.
 - _____ ... The sermon describes the ethic of the millennial kingdom.
 - _____ ... The sermon exposes our sin and drives us to repentance.

“The teaching in this sermon certainly sets a high standard. If we take it seriously we realize that we cannot attain it and therefore cannot _____ salvation. It ... drives us to seek salvation in Christ. But when we have received this salvation as God’s free gift, the sermon shows us how we should _____ in the service of our gracious God. It shows us what life is like in the kingdom of God. The sermon removes all complacency.” (Leon Morris, *The Gospel According to Matthew*)

The Big Idea

- Jesus promises to _____ and _____ his people.

The Beatitudes

- “For _____ has been counted worthy of more glory than _____.” (Hebrews 3:3 ... Matthew 5:1-2)
- “For the word of the cross is _____ to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the _____ of God.” (1 Corinthians 1:18 ... Matthew 5:3-12).
 - Poor In Spirit
 - Mourn
 - Meek
 - Hunger and Thirst for Righteousness
 - Merciful
 - Pure in Heart
 - Peacemakers
 - Persecuted Because of Righteousness
- “For me to live is _____, and to die is _____.” (Philippians 1:21 ... Matthew 5:3-12)

Application

- Will I _____ to Jesus Christ, the _____?
- Will I _____ in Jesus Christ, the _____?
- Will I _____ to Jesus Christ, the _____?