

The Sermon on the Mount

Seek First His Kingdom and His Righteousness; Matthew 6:33

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Two Main Commands about Money

- \* Store Up Treasures in Heaven

- \* Do Not Be Anxious

Do not be anxious about food, clothing, shelter, or tomorrow because...

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Anxiety about material possessions takes our focus away from His kingdom and His righteousness

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Christ’s promise to seekers

Matthew 7:7-8 “Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.”

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Kingdom and Righteousness: Themes of the Sermon on the Mount

Matthew 4:17 From that time Jesus began to preach and say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

Matthew 4:23 Jesus was going throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every kind of disease and every kind of sickness among the people.

Matthew 5:3 “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

Matthew 5:20 “For I say to you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.”

Matthew 6:1 “Beware of practicing your righteousness before men to be noticed by them; otherwise you have no reward with your Father who is in heaven.”

Matthew 6:10 “Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.”

Matthew 7:21 “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter.”

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“all these things” food, shelter, clothing, material possessions, the future

These things, food, shelter, clothing, material possessions, are all temporary. Rust and moth and thieves will get them all. Eternal perspective on things that never go away

Matthew 16:26-27 “For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and will then repay every man according to his deeds.”

Colossians 3:1-2 Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth.

Colossians 3:3-4 For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.

II Corinthians 4:17-18 For momentary, light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison, while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

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A couple of years ago, I got two tickets to the Texas OU game for a bucket list thing for me and Michael. Texas facing Austin, OU facing Norman. Occasionally there is that one fan who is seated in the wrong section.

For 2000 years the kingdom of God has been pressed on all sides from those outside the church seeking to eliminate its influence and from those inside the church seeking to pervert its influence

Jesus calls us to seek the kingdom and the righteous standard of the King with the result that we will face difficulties