

Amazed at Jesus' Authoritative Teaching

Matthew 5:1-2
#1 Sermon on the Mount
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CONTEXT OF MATTHEW

"When Jesus saw the crowds, He went up on the mountain; and after he sat down, **His disciples** came to Him. ²He opened his mouth and *began* to **teach them**" (Matthew 5:1-2).

CONTEXT OF BIBLE

- **Creation** (Genesis 1-2), **Fall** (Genesis 3), **Redemption** (Genesis 4- Revelation 18), **Restoration** (Revelation 19-22)
- **Two Problems:** Satan rebelled and set up a counterfeit kingdom. Adam and Eve rebelled and died spiritually.
- **Two Purposes:** _____ mankind and _____ His Kingdom
- **Two men:** Abraham (2000 BC); King _____ of Israel (1000 BC)
- **Two measurements:** The law and the _____
- **Two sons:** Abraham's son, Isaac; David's son, _____
- **Two animals:** the _____ and the Lion
- **One Redeemer and King:** "The record of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham" (Matthew 1:1). "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing" (Revelation 5:12).

Is Jesus' Sermon on the Mount attainable?

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

Monday: Review the story line of the Bible you were taught this Sunday. Share it with someone this week. Praise God for His complete revelation to us in Jesus Christ.

Tuesday: Read Matthew 5-7 and identify why the people were amazed at Jesus' teaching. Look for all the ways Jesus made Himself the center of the sermon and what He was saying about Himself.

Wednesday: Read Matthew 5-7 and outline the key parts of Jesus' sermon. What part of the sermon do you find most appealing? Why? What is most disturbing? Why? How does Galatians 2:20 provide you with insight on how to apply the sermon on the mount?

Thursday: Read Jeremiah 31 and John 3. What do they have in common? Have you been born again? How do you know? See 1 John 5:13.

Friday: Read Matthew 7:13-28. Is Jesus calling us to put our confidence in our obedience to Him or His work on our behalf? How does Philippians 2:12-13 relate to your answer.

Saturday: Read Matthew 5:3-12. What does this passage tell you about God and people? What are the commands to obey and warnings to heed? Why is it essential to be born again in order to be able to obey these beatitudes? Bring a friend with you to church tomorrow.