

“THE ROAD LESS TRAVELED”

MATTHEW 7:13-14

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I. INTRODUCTION

- a. Example 2 Flights
- b. Example 2 Roads
- c. What is more important, the road or the destination?
- d. As the Sermon on the Mount ends, Jesus gives us a flurry of twos
 - i. 2 Paths
 - ii. 2 Prophets
 - iii. Wolves vs Sheep
 - iv. Good Fruit and Bad Fruit
 - v. False Servants and True Servants
 - vi. Wise and Foolish Builder
 - vii. Foundation of Rock and Foundation of Sand
 - viii. House that fell, and the House that stood
- e. Point of clarification
 - i. Jesus is not talking about a hard difficult life vs an easy life. You can have a difficult and take the board road. You can have an easy life and take the narrow road. This is a spiritual road.

II. THE CHOICE

- a. “Enter”
- b. We must choose which path we will take.
- c. Principle taught from the OT to the NT, principle of free will. We must choose.
 - i. Law to Moses
 - 1. I set before you today Life and Death. Choose Life
 - ii. Joshua
 - 1. Choose you this day whom you will serve
 - iii. Jesus

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- 1. Two Roads
- iv. Peter on the Day of Pentecost
 - 1. Repent and Be Baptized
- v. Paul to the Philippian Jailer
 - 1. Repent and be Baptized
- d. Principles of this choice
 - i. You are free to choose but you are not free not to choose.
 - 1. Example what must I do to be saved tract
 - a. Blank on one side
 - ii. You are free to choose but you cannot choose the consequences of your choice
 - 1. Example Law of Gravity

III. THE ENTRANCE

- a. Narrow vs Wide
- b. Restricts what can go through
- c. Wide road will accommodate anything and everything
- d. Narrow road will only allow certain things through.
- e. Examples
 - i. Self (deny himself)
 - ii. Sin (Repent)

IV. THE PATH

- a. Difficult (straight) vs Broad or easy
- b. The Path to Life is not easy.
 - i. Is it easy to love your enemies?
 - ii. Is it easy to Forgive those who hurt you?
 - iii. Is it easy to deny yourself?
 - iv. Is it easy to go two miles instead of one?
- c. The Path to Destruction is relatively easy

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- i. Just put in neutral.
- ii. Follow the path of least resistance

V. THE TRAVELERS

- a. Many vs Few
- b. Broad way there are many travelers.
- c. Narrow way there are few
- d. This reinforces what we have just heard. If there is a road that the entrance is Wide, the way is easy, and then one that the entrance is narrow and the way is difficult, then of course more people are going to follow the path of least resistance. The easy way.

VI. THE DESTINATION

- a. Destruction vs Life
- b. Examples that follow
 - i. V. 19 (Fire)
 - ii. V. 21-23 (Heaven vs Depart from Me)
 - iii. V. 24-27 (House that Stood, House that Fell, “Great was the Fall of it)

VII. CONCLUSION

- a. There are two paths. Which path are you on?