

AN OUTLINE OF THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT (MATTHEW 5-7)

I. THE BLESSINGS, Matthew 5A

A. The Beatitudes, 5:3-12

The Inaugural Poor (or Need) Beatitudes of Grace & Faith, 5:3-6

- B 1. The Poor in Spirit (*"Blessings on the poor in spirit"*)
- B 2. The Poor in Joy (*"Blessings on the brokenhearted"*)
- B 3. The Poor in Power (*"Blessings on the little people"*)
- B 4. The Poor in Righteousness (*"Blessings on those who are hungering and thirsting for righteousness"*)

The Central Full (or Help) Beatitudes of Service & Love, 5:7-9

- B 5. The Full of Mercy (*"Blessings on the merciful"*)
- B 6. The Full of Purity (*"Blessings on the pure in heart"*)
- B 7. The Full of Peace (*"Blessings on the peacemakers"*)

The Concluding Hurt (or Persecution) Beatitudes of Joy & Hope, 5:10-12

- B 8. The Persecuted for Righteousness' Sake (*"Blessings on those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake"*)
- B 9. The Persecuted for Jesus' Sake (*"Blessings on you folks when people insult you ... because of your devotion to me"*)

B. The You Are's, 5:13-16

- UR 1. *"You are the salt of the earth"*
- UR 2. *"You are the light of the world"*

II. THE COMMANDS, Matthew 5B

A. The Spiritual Command, 5:17-20

- C 1. Scripturday. The Sunday Command of Biblical Piety: Against Irreverence

B. The Social Commands, 5:21-32

- C 2. Mercyday. The Monday Command of Temperamental Mercy: Against Anger
- C 3. Truesday. The Tuesday Command of Sexual Purity: Against Lust
- C 4. Weddingday. The Wednesday Command of Marital Fidelity: Against Divorce

C. The Political Commands, 5:33-48

- C 5. Truthday. The Thursday Command of Truthful Speech: Against Oaths
- C 6. Frienday. The Friday Command of Peacemaking: Against Getting Even
- C 7. Sanctiday. The Saturday Command of Love of Enemies: Against Hatred

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III. THE DEVOTIONS, Matthew 6A

A. D 1. Doing Charity, 6:2-4

B. D 2. Prayer, 6:5-15

How *Not* To Pray (Wrong Prayer): "No show for He spies; not much for He's wise"

How *To* Pray (Right Prayer): **The Lord's Prayer:**

The Address (LP o): "*Our Father who is in the heavens*"

The First Table (LP A): The "*Your*" Petitions

The First Petition (LP 1): "*Hallowed be your Name.*"

The Second Petition (LP 2): "*Your Kingdom come.*"

The Third Petition (LP 3): "*Your Will be done.*"

The Mid-Course Correction (LP MCC): "*On earth as it is in the heavens.*"

The Second Table (LP B): The "*Us*" Petitions

The Fourth Petition: "*Give us this day our daily bread.*"

The Fifth Petition: "*& forgive us our failures as we [do]... those who failed us.*"

The Sixth Petition: "*& don't let us be led into temptation ... but from the evil one.*"

The Postscript (LP PS): "*For if you don't forgive ... you won't be; if you do, you will.*"

C. D 3. Fasting, 6:16-18

IV. THE GOALS, Matthew 6B

A. G 1. The Two Treasures, 6:19-21

B. G 2. The Two Eyes, 6:22-23

C. G 3. The Two Lords, 6:24

D. G 4. The Two Anxieties (G 4), 6:25-34

V. THE SUMS, Matthew 7A

A. S 1. Have A Heart! (Don't Be Such Critical People), 7:1-6

B. S 2. Have A Prayer! (Be Asking-in-Prayer People), 7:7-11

C. S 3. Have An Imagination! (The Golden Rule), 7:12

VI. THE WARNINGS, Matthew 7B

A. W 1. The Two Gates, 7:13-14

B. W 2. The Two Prophets, 7:15-20

C. W 3. The Two Doers, 7:21-23

D. W 4. The Two Houses, 7:24-27

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