THE KING SPEAKS

a Study in the Sermon On The Mount | Daily Devotion Week 1 – September 3-7, 2012 Salvation | Matthew 5:1-6

Introduction

The first sermon in this series will focus on the new life that's essential for every person to receive before we're able to live how Jesus shows us to live in Matthew 5, 6, and 7. Jesus knew he came to give us this new life, so before saying anything else he begins his sermon by explaining how to receive it.

This first Daily Devotion will be the view from 30,000 feet before we enter into portions of it each week. These three chapters of Matthew are broken down for each day with a few thoughts to ponder. We'll be going deeper into each one of these passages in the weeks to come.

Day One

Living like the King begins with transformational thinking – transforming your mind. Pray today that God would transform your mind over these next several months. Read through Matthew 5:1-16. How does all that Jesus calls us to be make us salt and light?

Day Two

Read Matthew 5:17-20. The concept of doing everything right is with us from our earliest years. How righteous do you have to be to be right with God?

Day Three

Read Matthew 5:21-48. Every arena of life – business, marriage, relationships, conflict management – are areas where Christ's kingdom calls us to action. In what area of your life do you need to acknowledge God today?

Day Four

Read Matthew 6:1-34 Read through these compelling verses inviting us to walk closely with God. Observe today how you can turn to God in a trusting relationship and note when you take things into your own hands rather than living in trust.

Dav Five

Read Matthew 7:1-29 These are action packed verses. Trusting in God will lead you to good decision-making and positive outcomes. Today, focus on the path God is leading you to, if you trust him. Write down 3 actions you see Jesus call us to.