

THE KING SPEAKS

a Study in the Sermon On The Mount | Discussion Guide
Week 1 – September 9
Salvation | Matthew 5:1-6

Introduction

Christianity doesn't begin with rules to follow and a God who saves those who follow according to his standard. Instead, Christianity begins with a God who saves. And then God gives guidelines for those who are saved. In other words, Christianity does not begin with a teacher of morality. It begins with a Savior of sinners. And this Savior gives guidelines on how to live.

Read all of Matthew 5, 6, and 7 before beginning this week's study.

Questions for Study

1. If given the opportunity to share the gospel in your next conversation with a friend, a neighbor or co-worker what are the main points you would want them to understand? Take the time to write out those points.
2. What is your overall response to what Jesus said in the Sermon on the Mount, which encompasses chapters 5, 6, and 7?
3. If you were to choose any one part of what Christ said that's most challenging for you, what would you choose? If you were to choose any one part of what he said that you need more explanation to understand, what part would you choose?
4. How do you think someone who does not share our faith in Christ would respond to what Jesus said? Why do you think they would respond this way?
5. Read Matthew 5:1-12, which your Bible may have titled as the Beatitudes. Why could someone say that there's a distinction between verses 3 through 6 and verses 7 through 12?
6. How could you use Matthew 5:3-6 as an outline to guide you in sharing the gospel?

COMMIT TO MEMORY

Matthew 5:3-6