

JESUS CHRIST  
JEHOVAH'S KING  
MINISTRY AND TEACHING OF JESUS  
SERMON ON THE MOUNT  
WARNINGS TO BELIEVERS

I. AGAINST MOTE HUNTING

A. Matthew 7:1-29 "Do not judge, or you too will be judged. [2] For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. [3] "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? [4] How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? [5] You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.

1. Galatians 6:7-8 Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. [8] The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.

A. JUDGMENT - WHAT DOES THIS SAY ABOUT JUDGMENT?

(1) YOU WILL BE JUDGED BY THE MEASURE THAT YOU USE.

(A) WHAT, EVERY ONE IS NOT MEASURED BY THE SAME THING?

(B) READ IT AGAIN.

2. DO NOT JUDGE!

A. Luke 12:47-48 "That servant who knows his master's will and does not get ready or does not do what his master wants will be beaten with many blows. [48] But the one who does not know and does things deserving punishment will be beaten with few blows. From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked.

(1) WHY NOT JUDGE?

(A) WHO IS THE JUDGE?

(B) SO IF I AM GOING AROUND JUDGING, WHO AM I TRYING TO REPLACE?

(C) WHO WANTS TO DO THAT?

3. SPECK

A. WHO IS THE ONLY ONE QUALIFIED TO JUDGE THE BELIEVER?

(1) HE WHO HAS NO SPECK!

(2) IF I SAY I HAVE NO SPECK, WHAT AM I CALLED?

II. DO NOT FORCE TRUTH ON SOME!

A. MATTHEW 7:[6] "Do not give dogs what is sacred; do not throw your pearls to pigs. If you do, they may trample them under their feet, and then turn and tear you to pieces.

1. WE ARE TOLD SOMETHING HERE. DO WE SEARCH IT OUT?

2. WHAT ARE WE BEING TOLD TO DO?

A. RECOGNIZE WHAT IS SACRED!

B. DO NOT GIVE DOGS!

(1) CAN WE IDENTIFY WHAT SCRIPTURE CALLS DOGS?

HOMOSEXUALS	Deut. 23:18 Thou shalt not bring the hire of a whore, or the price of a dog, into the house of the Lord thy God for any vow: for even both these are abomination unto the Lord thy God. Deut. 23:18 You must not bring the earnings of a female prostitute or of a male prostitute into the house of the Lord your God to pay any vow, because the Lord your God detests them both.
SATANIC POWERS	Psalm 22:16 Dogs have surrounded me; a band of evil men has encircled me, they have pierced my hands and my feet.
WICKED MEN	Psalm 59:6 They return at evening, snarling like dogs, and prowl about the city.
DECEIVED PEOPLE	Rev. 22:15 Outside are the dogs, those who practice magic arts, the sexually immoral, the murderers, the idolaters and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.
BACK SLIDERS	2 Peter 2:20-22 If they have escaped the corruption of the world by knowing our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and are again entangled in it and overcome, they are worse off at the end than they were at the beginning. [21] It would have been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than to have known it and then to turn their backs on the sacred command that was passed on to them. [22] Of them the proverbs are true: "A dog returns to its vomit," and, "A sow that is washed goes back to her wallowing in the mud."

III. AGAINST UNBELIEF: FATHERHOOD OF GOD: THE KINGDOM

- A. MATTHEW 7:[7] "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. [8] For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. [9] "Which of you, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? [10] Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? [11] If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more

will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!

1. HERE IS A GREAT TRUTH.

- A. I ASK THAT YOU REMEMBER THAT JESUS HERE IS GIVING A TRUTH TO HIS FOLLOWERS. HE IS WANTING THEM TO KNOW A TRUTH THAT ALL MAY NOT RECEIVE. SEE ABOVE.

2. FIRST ASK

- A. THIS IS FIRST AND IT IS SO IMPORTANT: **ASK, SEEK & KNOCK = ASK**

(1) WHEN GOD CALLS, WHAT ARE WE TO DO? **SPEAK**

(A) Romans 10:9-10 That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. [10] For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.

(2) MY APPROACH TO GOD IS BY WAY OF MOUTH.

(A) Mark 11:24 Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

(b) John 15:7 If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you.

- B. ONCE I HAVE THIS RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD AND STUDY HIS WORD I BEGIN TO SEE SOMETHING NEW. A **SPIRIT WORLD**. A WORLD THAT CAN NOT BE SEEN OR GAINED BY THE UNSAVED MAN. A KINGDOM THAT RUNS PARALLEL WITH OUR WORLD TODAY.

3. THEN I AM TOLD THAT "I" AM TO SEEK IT. THIS NEW WORLD.

- A. Deut. 4:29 But if from there you seek the Lord your God, you will find him if you look for him with all your heart and with all your soul.

(1) YOU MAY SAY I THOUGHT THIS DEALT WITH SALVATION. NO GOD SEEKS YOU FOR SALVATION. THIS IS SEEKING GOD AFTER YOU ARE SAVED. **SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD.**

- B. Col. 3:1 Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

- C. Hebrews 11:6 And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

(1) SO NOW I AM TO SEEK KNOWLEDGE OF HIS KINGDOM. TO SEEK THIS KINGDOM.

(2) James 1:5-8 If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him. [6] But when he asks, he must believe and not doubt, because he who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. [7] That man should not think he will receive anything from the Lord; [8] he is a double-minded man, unstable in all he does.

4. ONCE I HAVE FOUND THIS KINGDOM, I AM TO KNOCK.

- A. I WANT THIS KINGDOM OPENED TO ME.

(1) I AM TOLD FIRST, THIS IS A KINGDOM OF RIGHTEOUSNESS [A RIGHT STANDING WITH GOD]

- B. HERE WE MUST TAKE A LOOK AT THE TIME THAT CHRIST WALKED UPON THE

EARTH.

(1) FIRST IF YOU WERE GOING TO VISIT SOME ONE YOU STOOD AT THE GATE AND YELLED.[ASK - SPEAK]

(A) Acts 10:17-18 Now while Peter doubted in himself what this vision which he had seen should mean, behold, the men which were sent from Cornelius had made enquiry for Simon's house, and stood before the gate, [18] And called, and asked whether Simon, which was surnamed Peter, were lodged there.

(B) Acts 12:13 And as Peter knocked at the door of the gate, a damsel came to hearken, named Rhoda.

(C) Acts 12:16 But Peter continued knocking: and when they had opened the door, and saw him, they were astonished.

C. MY ENTRANCE INTO THIS KINGDOM REQUIRES MY ASKING, MY STUDY & NOW MY PERSISTENCE.

D. AND IF I DO THIS IT WILL BE OPENED UNTO ME.

(1) BUT IT IS OPENED UNTO ME.

(A) I MUST ENTER.

(B) I WANT THE THINGS OF GOD.

5. NOW I "HEAR" THE PROMISE, WHAT THE FATHER WANTS ME TO KNOW.

A. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened

B. NOW I AM GIVEN AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT HE IS SPEAKING OF.

(1) "Which of you, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? [10] Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? [11] If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!

(A) WHAT GIFT DID JESUS ASK THE FATHER FOR?

(B) FIRST YOU NEED TO KNOW THAT THE WORLD CAN NOT HAVE IT. SO IT IS NOT SALVATION.

i) JOHN 14: [17] the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.

(C) SO HOW DID I COME TO RECEIVE THIS SPIRIT OF TRUTH.

i) John 14:16-17 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever—

ii) John 15:26 "When the Counselor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father, he will testify about me.

(D) IN FACT THE FOLLOWERS OF JESUS WERE TOLD TO WAIT ON THIS PROMISE.

i) Acts 1:4-5 On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. [5] For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

A) SO IN MY LIFE WHAT HAS THE LARGER PART OF THE CHURCH HAD

TO SAY ABOUT 'but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ‘

1) I DID NOT RECEIVE BREAD BUT A STONE.

2) "Which of you, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? [10] Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? [11] If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him

#### IV. THE SUMMARY OF ALL BEFORE US IN CHAPTER 7

A. MATTHEW 7:[12] So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.

1. JUDGING, FAULT FINDING, MOTE HUNTING, DISPENSING HOLY THINGS.

A. TREAT OTHERS AS YOU WANT TO BE TREATED.

#### V. YOU HAVE A CHOICES: WHICH GATE WILL YOU CHOICE?

A. MATTHEW 7:[13] "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. [14] But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.

1. WHAT IS THIS NARROW GATE?

A. THE GATE THAT YOU STAND AT AND ASK. SEE ABOVE. JESUS HAS NOT CHANGED THE SUBJECT.

(1) WHERE DOES THIS GATE LEAD?

(A) But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.

2. ANOTHER GATE YOU CAN CHOICE.

A. THIS IS THE GATE WHERE YOU CAN BE REVENGEFUL AND DESIRES EARTHLY RICHES, TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ANOTHER, TO ENRICH SELF RATHER THAN WALK ACCORDING TO THE GOLDEN RULE.

B. AND WHERE DOES THIS GATE LEAD?

(1) For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it.

#### VI. AGAINST FALSE PROPHETS AND DECEPTIONS

A. MATTHEW 7:[15] "Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves. [16] By their fruit you will recognize them. Do people pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? [17] Likewise every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. [18] A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit. [19] Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. [20] Thus, by their fruit you will recognize them.

1. TAKE A LOOK AT PROPHETS, TEACHERS AND LEADERS.

2. WHAT ARE THEY ABOUT.

A. FALSE

(1) FEROCIOUS WOLVES

(A) THEY WANT SOMETHING FROM YOU!

(2) THEIR LIVES BEAR BAD FRUIT.

(A) WHAT IS THEIR LIFE ABOUT. SEE ALL THE THINGS ABOVE.

B. TRUE

(1) THEY BEAR FRUIT.

(A) THEY ARE NOT WANTING ANYTHING FROM YOU FOR THEMSELVES.

(2) WHAT KIND OF FRUIT ARE THEY BEARING.

(A) SEE ABOVE.

## VII. AGAINST MERE PROFESSION OF SALVATION

A. MATTHEW 7:[21] "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. [22] Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and in your name drive out demons and perform many miracles?' [23] Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!'

1. IN THIS KINGDOM YOU BECOME A SLAVE TO RIGHTEOUSNESS

A. A MAN CAN NOT BE IN BOTH KINGDOMS

(A) Romans 6:16-23 Don't you know that when you offer yourselves to someone to obey him as slaves, you are slaves to the one whom you obey--whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness? [17] But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you wholeheartedly obeyed the form of teaching to which you were entrusted. [18] You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness. [19] I put this in human terms because you are weak in your natural selves. Just as you used to offer the parts of your body in slavery to impurity and to ever-increasing wickedness, so now offer them in slavery to righteousness leading to holiness. [20] When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the control of righteousness. [21] What benefit did you reap at that time from the things you are now ashamed of? Those things result in death! [22] But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves to God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life. [23] For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

i) Romans 8:13 For if you live according to the sinful nature, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live,

## VIII. DO NOT BE INSECURE - KNOW WHERE YOUR SECURITY IS!

A. MATTHEW 7:[24] "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. [25] The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. [26] But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. [27] The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash." [28] When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, [29] because he taught as one who had authority,

and not as their teachers of the law.

1. WHERE IS YOUR SECURITY?

A. 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!'

B. KNOW JESUS CHRIST. ASK - SEEK - KNOCK