

Summary of Today's Message

Do you want to experience the approval of God? When you genuinely receive Christ as your Savior and Lord, you can have confidence that you are approved by God! The smile of God will be on your life, and you will begin to see yourself the way God sees you.

Let's Review These Mountain Top Lessons

The Mountain of Decision-the story of Elijah

The Mountain of the Covenant-the story of Noah

The Mountain of Validation-the story of the

Transfiguration of Jesus

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The Mountain of Unfulfillment-the story of Moses

The Mountain of Exception-the story of the rise and fall of

King Saul

The Mountain of (Validation) <u>Temptation</u>-the story of Jesus being <u>tempted</u> by Satan

Mount Calvary-the <u>message</u> from the three crosses when Jesus was crucified

The Beatitudes contain principles to live by in God's Kingdom

It's the <u>highest</u> mountain
we will ever climb spiritually speaking
The Sermon on the Mountain is found in <u>Matthew</u> 5, 6, 7
and Luke 6

The Sermon on the Mount is the most radical teaching about right and wrong, morals and ethics that the world has ever heard

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Jesus' teaching on the sermon on the mount superseded the <u>Torah</u>

Jesus taught that to be a citizen in His Kingdom, it is a matter of the <u>heart</u>, our <u>motives</u>, <u>imaginations</u> that counts

In reference to the Torah, Jesus repeated the phrase,

"But I say unto you."

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Jesus addressed the <u>anger</u> issue

Jesus addressed the <u>adultery</u> issue

Jesus meant, do whatever it takes to keep your mind, your heart, and your life pure

Jesus addressed the oath issue

Jesus addressed how to handle our enemies

The First Beatitude

The word "Blessed" means to have the <u>approval</u> of God The word, "Poor" means <u>poverty</u>

The Second Beatitude

Mourn means among other things, we are broken, and we cry over our <u>sin</u>

Study David's prayer of confession in Psalm 51

The Third Beatitude

Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth

Meek means to be disciplined

The Fourth Beatitude

Nothing great has ever been accomplished in all of history without <u>passion</u>

The real meaning here is that we have a <u>passion</u> for purity and morality

The Fourth Beatitude

The Holy Spirit gives us the capacity to begin to pursue in our lives this kind of kingdom living and that is the most thrilling thing we can imagine-

LIVING FOR AN AUDIENCE OF ONE