

Sermon Discussion Guide

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Matthew 5:1-12

Responses & Reactions

- What disturbed you, challenged you, or intrigued you in this week's message?

Digging Deeper

- How is the way of the Pharisee different from the way of God's kingdom as described in these verses?
- Why is making the sermon on the mount into a new list of rules so tempting? How might this bring harm instead of making us more into the image of Jesus?

Bringing it Home

- When Jesus was asked what was the greatest commandment he answered, "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your being, and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: You must love your neighbor as you love yourself. All the Law and the Prophets depend on these two commands."
 - How can this verse help us understand how to apply the sermon on the mount to our lives?
- How would you explain the Beatitudes to someone who had never heard them before?