

December 21, 2025



Week 16 – THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT, PART 6 (Mt 7:15-29, pp. 123-129)

The Sermon on the Mount is one of the most famous “sermons” that Jesus delivers. In the sermon, Jesus teaches about the Kingdom of Heaven. The sermon goes from Matthew 5 through Matthew 7.

In Part 1 of the Sermon we read the “**Beatitudes**” and learned about the true nature of **BLESSING**. In Part 2, we read about **God’s Law** and its fulfillment in Christ. In Part 3, we learned about the proper practice of **Giving, Praying and Fasting** which orient us toward a life of faith; and in Part 4, Jesus focused specifically on **our relationship to money and possessions** and our temptation to treasure them above God. In Part 5 of the Sermon, Jesus spoke about **our responsibility to love and pray for one another**; and today in Part 6, Jesus concludes His sermon with encouragement to **bear good fruit and build our lives on the Word of Christ**.

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Jesus opens this section of His sermon speaking about false prophets. Explain the warning Jesus gives about false prophets: _____

What dangers do false teachers pose to the church today? _____

How are God’s people to discern between true and false teachers? _____

In addition to the concern about false teachers, Jesus also offers a warning to those who falsely confess their faith. **What exactly is Jesus warning about?** _____

Jesus says “the one who does the will of my Father” will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. **Who alone does the will of the Father?** _____

How do Christians “do the will of the Father” so that the Kingdom of Heaven is opened to them? _____

Finally, Jesus speaks about putting His Word into practice. **What image does Jesus use to describe those who do and those who do not put His Word into practice?** _____

In what ways does a life lived in obedience to God’s Word bring strength and stability to a person? _____

Is Jesus teaching that we are saved by our works? Why or why not? _____

How should the people of God balance the confession that we are saved by grace and the call to do good works? _____

For Next Time:

Week 17 – JESUS HEALS THE SICK (Mt 8:1-17, pp. 131-137)