



Sunday 5/19/2024 – Summer On The Mount / The Climb Begins

What is the sermon on the mount?

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people. Matthew 4:23 NIV

News about him spread all over Syria, and people brought to him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, the demon-possessed, those having seizures, and the paralyzed; and he healed them. Matthew 4:24 NIV

Large crowds from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea and the region across the Jordan followed him. Matthew 4:25 NIV

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them. Matthew 5:1-2 NIV

“Every verse is a multifaceted gem, and every line opens up others passages in the Gospel.” Amy-Jill Levine

Is the “sermon” relevant?

When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, Matthew 7:28 NIV

because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law. Matthew 7:29 NIV

“Whether the Sermon is relevant to modern life or not can be judged only by a detailed examination of its contents.” John R. W. Stott

Is the “sermon” practical?

“For the standards of the sermon are neither readily attainable by every man, not totally unattainable by any man. To put them beyond anybody’s reach is to ignore the purpose of Christ Sermon; to put them within everybody’s is to ignore the reality of man’s sin. They are attainable all right, but only by those who have experienced the new birth which Jesus told Nicodemus was the indispensable condition of seeing and entering God’s kingdom” ~ Leo Tolstoy



After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. “The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!” Mark 1:14-15 NIV

...your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Matthew 6:10 NIV

Experience Today's Message

Describe a time when you found yourself amazed?

What made it so amazing?

Why do you think people were so amazed after hearing Jesus teach?