



# SERMON ON THE MOUNT

Matthew 5-7

# Filled With Challenges



- Forgive those who have sinned against us.
- Don't make money/material things our master.
- Seek first the kingdom of heaven; lay up treasures in heaven; make spiritual things, things that endure your number one priority.
- Do not worry about tomorrow.
- Avoid hypocritical, unmerciful judgments.
- Take the road less traveled.
- Possess the wisdom/knowledge to discern false prophets, to recognize the swine and pigs.



But DO them we must!

- Matthew 5:19–20.
- Matthew 7:21–27.



Thankfully, this sermon is also  
filled with INCENTIVES.

# Incentives



- Jesus offers the hope of a reward in heaven.
  - Matthew 5:10–12.
  - Hebrews 11:24–26.

# Incentives



- Jesus warns us about the danger of being cast into hell.
  - Matthew 5:22, 29–30.
  - Mark 9:42–48.

# Incentives



- Jesus offers us, then, the choice between everlasting life and everlasting destruction.
  - Matthew 7:13–14.
  - The same approach used much earlier by Moses: Deuteronomy 30:19–20.
  - Mark 16:16.

# Incentives



- God sees everything we do, say, think.
  - “Sees in secret”: Matthew 6:3–4, 6, 17–18.
  - Hebrews 4:13; Revelation 2:23.



# Incentives



- Can't be forgiven if we don't forgive.
  - Matthew 6:12, 14–15.
  - Ephesians 4:32.

# Incentives



- God loves us, knows just what we need, and He will graciously provide it.
  - Matthew 6:11, 25-34; 7:7-11.

# Incentives



- Jesus offers us the opportunity to build something that will endure, something that will withstand the storms of life.
  - Matthew 7:24–27.