

Beacon of Hope  
MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDIES 2024-25

**THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT**  
**Kingdom Life Here & Now – Matthew 5-7**

- 1 LIGHT DAWNS (Isaiah 9:1-2, Matthew 4:12-5:2) SYS 09/11/24  
EWH 09/18/24
  - > Bridging the Old and New Testaments
  - > The King's Public Ministry Begins (4:12-25)
  - > Introducing the Great Sermon of the King (5:1-2)
  
- 2 THE BEATITUDES (Matthew 5:3-12) SYS 09/25/24  
EWH 10/02/24
  - > Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit (5:3)
  - > Blessed Are Those Who Mourn (5:4)
  - > Blessed Are the Meek (5:5)
  - > Blessed Are Those Who Hunger (5:6)
  - > Blessed Blessed Are the Merciful (5:7)
  - > Blessed Are the Pure in Heart (5:8)
  - > Blessed Are the Peacemakers (5:9)
  - > Blessed Are You, the Persecuted (5:10-12)
  
- 3 SALT AND LIGHT – SO THE WORLD MAY SEE (Matthew 5:13-16) SYS 10/09/24  
EWH 10/16/24
  
- 4 NOT TO DESTROY BUT TO FULFILL (Matthew 5:17-20) SYS 10/23/24  
EWH 10/30/24
  - > Jesus and “the Law and the Prophets” (5:17)
  - > All of Scripture: Authoritative and Eternal (5:18)
  - > The Measure of a Man: (5:19-20)
    - > Those called “least”
    - > Those called “great”
    - > The scribes and Pharisees (Rom 10:3)
    - > Those whose righteousness does not exceed the scribes and Pharisees (Ro 1:18-32)
  - > The Righteousness God Requires (selected Scripture)
  - > The Righteousness God Gives (selected Scripture)
  
- 5 YOU HAVE HEARD IT SAID, BUT I SAY... PART ONE (Matthew 5:21-32) SYS 11/06/24  
EWH 11/13/24
  - > How Tradition Downgraded the Law (selected Scripture)
  - > How Jesus Clarified the Law: Inner Righteousness, Not Outward Form
  - > Not to Murder, but... (Mat 5:21-26)
  - > Not to Commit Adultery, but... (5:27-30)
  - > Divorce (Selected Scriptures; 5:31-32)
  
- 6 YOU HAVE HEARD IT SAID, BUT I SAY... PART TWO (Matthew 5:33-48) SYS 11/20/25
  - > Review (5:21-32)
  - > Not False Vows, but... (5:33-37)
  - > Not An Eye For An Eye, but... (5:38-42)
  - > Not Love Your Neighbor and Hate Your Enemy, but... (5:43-48)

## HOLIDAY BREAK -- 8 WEEKS

- 6 YOU HAVE HEARD IT SAID – BUT I SAY... (Matthew 5:33-48, Part Two)  
(Outline Above) EWH 01/08/25
- 7 ALL FOR GOD NOT MEN (Matthew 6:1-18, Part One) SYS 01/15/25  
> Not Giving to Be Seen by Men (6:1-4) EWH 01/22/25  
> Not Praying to Be Heard by Men (6:5-8)  
> Not Fasting to Parade Before Men (6:16-18)
- 8 THE LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9-15, Part Two) SYS 01/29/25  
> Pray Like This... EWH 02/05/25  
> For God's Honor (6:9-10)  
> For Our Needs (6:11-15)
- 9 ONE TREASURE – ONE MASTER - ONE PURPOSE (Matthew 6:19-34) SYS 02/12/25  
> Treasure in Heaven (6:19-21) EWH 02/19/25  
> Divided Service (6:22-24)  
> But Seek First... (6:25-34)
- 10 STOP JUDGING BUT BE DISCERNING (Matthew 7:1-6) SYS 02/26/25  
> Judge Not... Who Is the Judge? (7:1) EWH 03/05/25  
> A Faulty View of Others (7:2)  
> A Faulty View of Ourselves (7:3-5a)  
> Right Judgment (7:5b-6)

## SPRING BREAK -- 4 WEEKS

- 11 A CALL TO KINGDOM LIFE (Matthew 7:7-14) SYS 03/26/25  
> Ask, Seek, Knock – The Father Answers (7:7-11) EWH 04/02/25  
> The Call To Love (7:12)  
> The Narrow Way To Life (7:13-14)
- 12 FALSE PROPHETS – FALSE DISCIPLES (Matthew 7:15-23) SYS 04/09/25  
> Their Deception, Deeds, and Destruction (7:15-20) EWH 04/16/25  
> Their Vain Words and Works (7:21-23)
- 13 YOUR FOUNDATION – ROCK OR SAND? (Matthew 7:24-29) SYS 04/23/25  
> The Wise and Foolish Builders EWH 04/30/25  
> A Time to Decide
- BACON OF HOPE SYS TBA  
SPRING FLING LUNCHEON EWH 05/17/25