

JESUS

Is Taking Over

Matthew 5:1 - February 15, 2025



Bible Project Video: “Blessed are the Poor in Spirit”

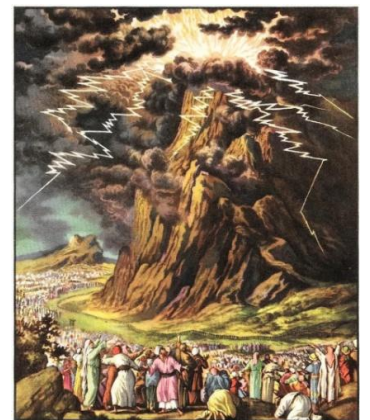
- Jesus is addressing unimportant people suffering under Roman rule.
- Jesus speaks of a different *realm* – the Kingdom of God – that is full of generosity, peace, and love.
- The Kingdom of Heaven was coming through these unimportant people.
- You are the salt of the land. God is promising His long-lasting plan of renewal to come through them.
- You are the light of the world. They are the New Jerusalem to display God’s Kingdom to the world.

Matthew 1-4 -Jesus Is Taking Over

- In Matthew 1-4, Jesus takes back the throne from Satan.
 - Adam and Eve were kings of earth → Satan took the throne from them → Israel failed to win back the throne. →Jesus won back the throne in the wilderness (Matt 12:29)→Jesus called his disciples.

Matthew 5:1 - Jesus on the “Mountain”

- Jesus goes up on a mountain in order to connect His teachings to Moses, who went up Mount Sinai to receive the Law (Ex 19-34).
- Jesus isn’t just giving religious rules, Jesus is starting a Kingdom revolution. This is the type of life that makes on-earth-as-it-is-in-heaven.
- Jesus didn’t die for us to have the hope of heaven so that we would fill up in worldliness and not pay any attention to the Kingdom of God.



Three Ways to Grow as On-Earth-As-It-Is-In-Heaven-People

1. Do not be conformed to this world (Rom 12:1-2).
2. The teachings of the Sermon on the Mount are so contrary to human nature, you cannot be in both Kingdoms.
3. If you are a Christian, believe that God is calling you to be an on-earth-as-it-is-in-heaven person. Keep your eyes open!

Jesus has Taken Over. Are you in?

