

Lesson #6- Matthew Chapter 5 Questions for Discussion:

Chapter 5 begins with Jesus first major block of teaching. It is commonly referred to as the Sermon on the Mount.

1. Moses had an experience with the law on a mountain. Jesus got involved with that same law while on a mountain. Compare and contrast the two and discuss the importance.
2. Jesus preached a strange message that began with what it looks like to be blessed. What was shocking about His take on being blessed and how does the gospel make sense of it?

3. Discuss Jesus' teachings on salt and light.

4. Some people will argue that Jesus did away with the law. Based on Jesus' own teaching here in Matthew, what did Jesus say He came to do as concerning the law and the prophets and what does that mean? (Base your discussion on verses 17-20)

5. The remainder of the chapter is Jesus giving a never-before-heard interpretation of the law, an interpretation that radically changes the scope of guilt. Six times He says that what you have heard about the law is not the whole story and explains what is really meant. What was Jesus' interpretation and what are its impacts?