

## LOVE

**A new commandment I give to you, that you love *one another*... (John 13:34)**

- *Internal*: How was your week...anything new? How was your walk with the Lord this week?
- *External*: Is there any individual or family who is struggling or needs encouragement from us?

## TRUTH

**Let the word of God dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing *one another*... (Col. 3:16)**

1. When you reflect on the message from Sunday, what most resonated with you?  
[Dialogue]
2. Let's read our primary text. What is the context of the sermon on the mount? What has Jesus been up to?  
Jesus was making his way through Galilee, "proclaiming the gospel and healing every disease and affliction." As his fame grew, the crowds grew, so He navigated to the mount near the Sea of Galilee as a way to amplify his voice.
3. How long is the sermon on the mount?  
Matthew 5 - 7:29 (100 verses).
4. Can you think of any examples in culture that borrow from the Sermon on the Mount?  
[Examples: Martin Luther King speeches, Musical artists such as U2 and Bob Marley]
5. There is a unique composition in each statement of the Beatitudes. What is it?  
- Proper Perspective of the good life, [followed by] The actual blessing.  
[Example; Verse 3 - Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.]
6. Is Jesus pronouncing blessing over these people? What is actually taking place during this sermon opening?  
Jesus is not pronouncing blessing. Rather, he is describing those who will receive the aforementioned state of blessedness if they have proper "God-designed" perspective.
7. How would you put verse three in your own words?  
How fortunate are those who are powerless, for they will inherit the kingdom of heaven.
8. How would you summarize the sermon on the mount?  
[Example: Reversal. Foreign. Opposite of the way the world functioned then and now.]
9. Any other thoughts you would like to share before we wrap up this text?  
[Dialogue]

## GREAT COMMISSION

**Go therefore and make disciples of all nations... (Matt. 28:19-20)**

- Did you disciple your family well this week? Is it apparent to others that Jesus the reason for your hope in your daily activity? Would anyone like to share the gospel with the group?

## CONFESSION/PRAYER/REPENTANCE

**But exhort *one another* every day, as long as it is called "today," ... (Heb. 3:12-14)**

- Confession is agreeing with God about our sin according to the Scriptures. Is there anything you want to confess before the group? [*apathy, idolatry, selfishness, jealousy, anger, envy*]
- Let's pray, asking God to help us apply His word to our lives.

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Sources:

- ESV Study Bible Commentary
- Bible Project Podcast - "Sermon on the Mount" (January, 2024)