

*Blessed are
the Peacemakers*

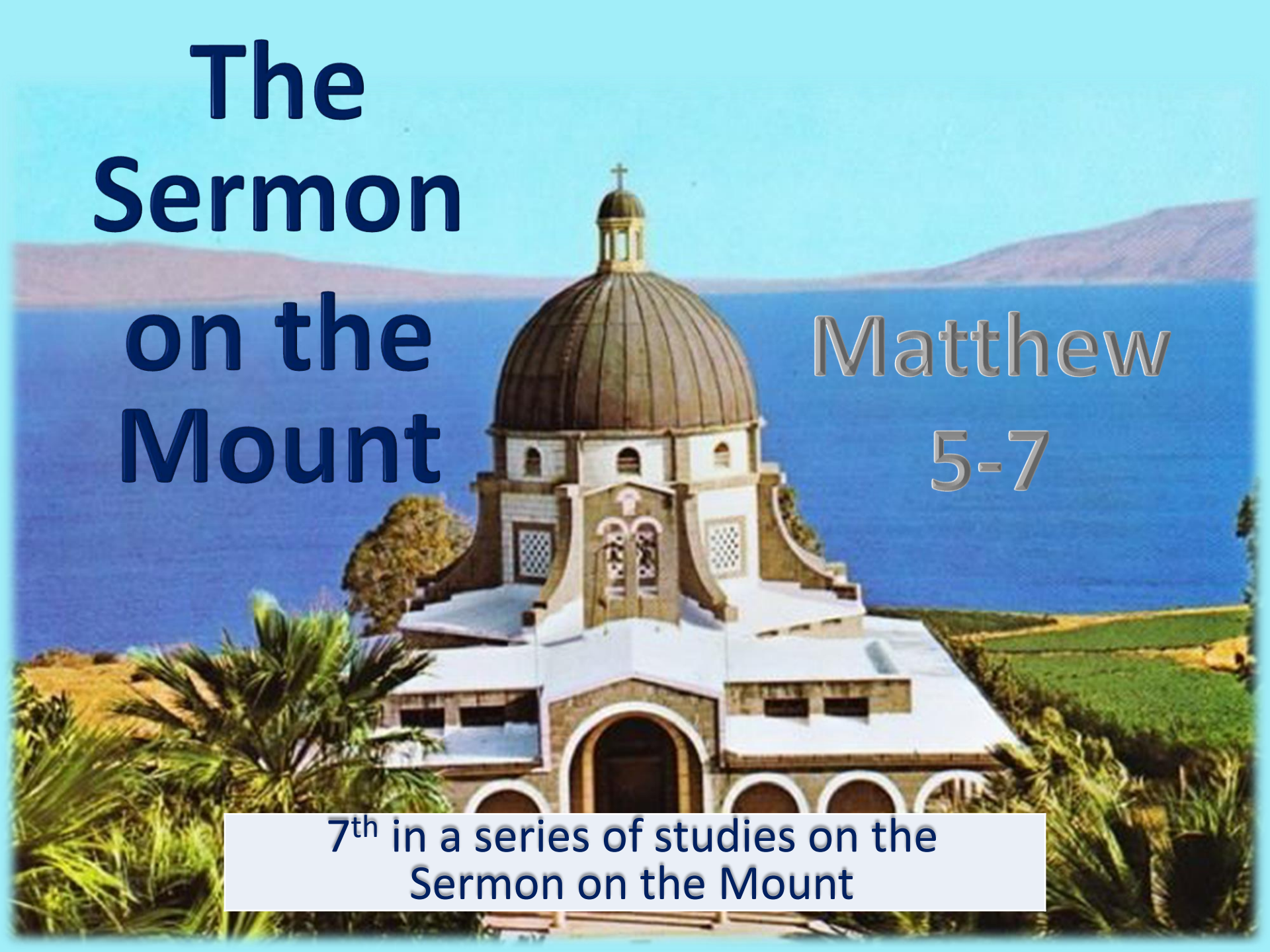


Matthew 5:9

The Sermon on the Mount

Matthew
5-7

7th in a series of studies on the
Sermon on the Mount



The Be Attitudes

The Deeper-Life

Poor in Spirit

Mourn

Meek

Hunger for Righteousness

Merciful

Pure in Heart

Peacemakers

Persecuted for Righteousness

OUTWARD INWARD

Our Character Our Condition
Before Others Before God

True or False Quiz

“Blessed are the peacemakers...”

1. Peacemaking is primarily the activity of fulfilling the “great commission”.

TRUE 2 Corinthians 5:18-21

2. The prerequisites of a peacemaker is pleasing others, getting along with others and getting others to like you.

FALSE John 15:18-20; 16:2; 17:14; Matthew 10:34-36

True or False Quiz

“Blessed are the peacemakers...”

3. Those who love peace will not engage in warfare.

FALSE Matthew 10:34; Ephesians 6:10-12

4. Christians who want to be effective peacemakers should take a Dale Carnegie course on *How to Win Friends and Influence People*.

FALSE John 14:27

Matthew 5:1–8

Everyone: ¹ And seeing the multitudes, He went up on a mountain, and when He was seated His disciples came to Him. ² Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:

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Matthew 5:1–8

Men: ³ “Blessed *are* the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

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Matthew 5:1–8

Ladies: ⁴ “Blessed *are* those who mourn,
for they shall be comforted.”

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Matthew 5:1–8

Men: ⁵ “Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.”

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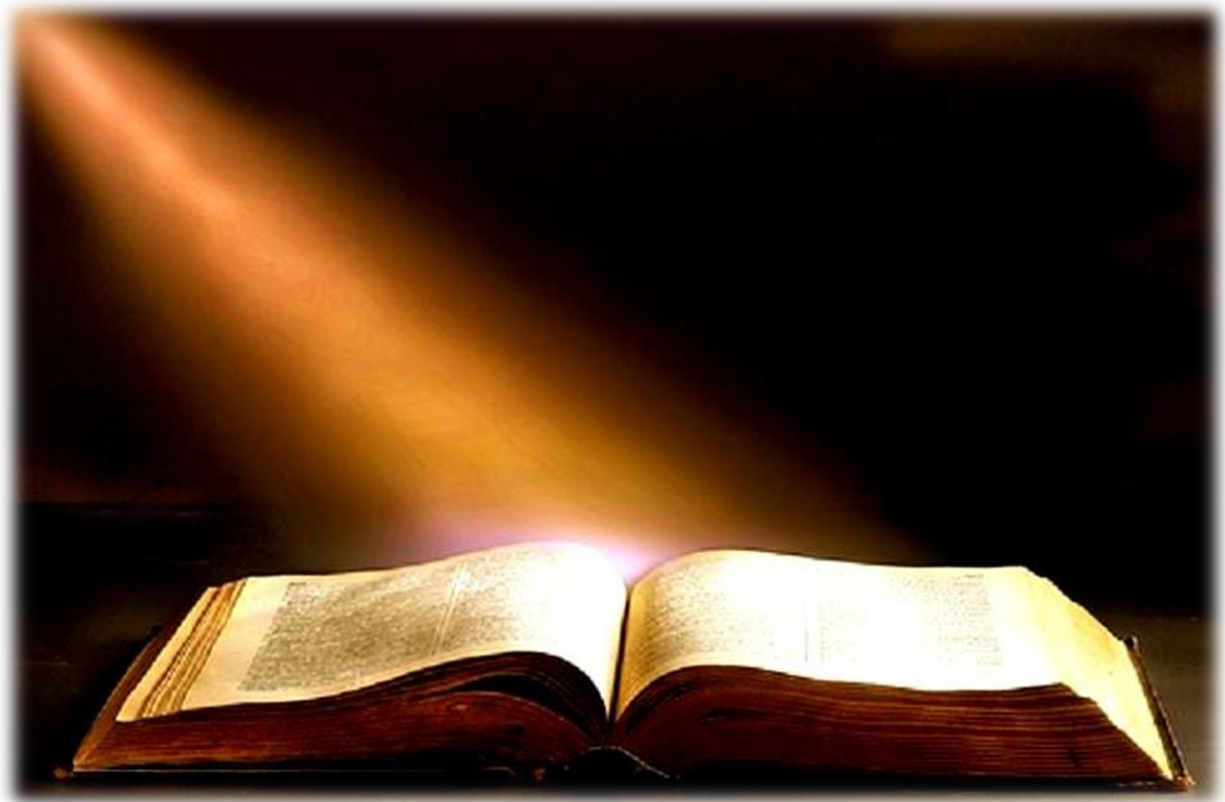
Strength
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Control



Matthew 5:1–8

Ladies: ⁶ “Blessed *are* those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.”

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Matthew 5:1–8

Men: ⁷ “Blessed *are* the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.”

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Matthew 5:1–8

Ladies: ⁸ “Blessed *are* the pure in heart, for they shall see God.”

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Matthew 5:1–8

Everyone: ⁹ “Blessed *are* the peacemakers,
for they shall be called the sons
of God.”

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WHAT IS PEACE?

1. English: freedom from disturbance; tranquility; the cessation of war; absence of war, conflict or trouble
2. Greek: εἰρήνη (*eirēnē*) = reconciliation
3. Hebrew: **שָׁלוֹם** (*shalom*)= prosperity

completion, to fill up what is missing, to atone for guilt. Lev. 3 "peace offering"

WHAT HINDERS PEACE?

1. A False Gospel

Jer. 6:14 "Peace, peace; when there is no peace"

1 Thess. 5:3 "For when they shall say, 'Peace and safety'; then sudden destruction cometh upon them."



WHAT HINDERS PEACE?

2. A Wicked Heart

Jer. 17:9 “The heart *is* deceitful above all *things*, and desperately wicked...”

Isa. 48:22 “There is no peace,” says the LORD, “for the wicked.”

רָשָׁע (rā·šā‘) = to make tumult, to be disturbed

WHAT HINDERS PEACE?

2. A Wicked Heart

Jas. 4:1–2 Where do wars and fights come from among you? Do they not come from your desires for pleasure that war in your members? ² You lust and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain. You fight and war. Yet you do not have because you do not ask.

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3. An Insidious Enemy

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WHAT DOES A PEACEMAKER Do?

Rom. 5:1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

2 Cor. 5:17–18 Therefore, if anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. ¹⁸ Now all things *are* of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation,

WHAT DOES A PEACEMAKER Do?

Eph. 6:15 and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

Rom. 10:15 “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things!”

1 Pet. 3:11 Let him seek peace and pursue it.

2 Pet. 3:14 Therefore, beloved . . . be diligent to be found by Him in peace

WHAT PROMISE IS GIVEN TO A PEACEMAKER?

Barnabas = *son of consolation*

Judas called "son of perdition" = doomed

"son of a gun" = son of an explosive parent

"son of God" =

one who displays the character of God

Daily 180° *Prayer*

Lord,
make me an instrument of Your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

Where there is sadness, joy.

Daily **180°** *Prayer*

O Divine Master,
grant that I may not so much seek

To be consoled - as to console,

To be understood - as to understand,

To be loved - as to love,

Daily 180° *Prayer*

For

It is in giving that we receive,

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

It is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Next Week's Study in the Word of God



“Blessed are those who are Persecuted...”

Matthew 5:10-12

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