

“Words to Build a Life On”

John 11:25-26

*You are never going to cease to exist,
and there is nothing you can do about it. – Dallas Willard*

Do you believe what Jesus said? _____

What lives on is who we really are inside; our _____. 1 Cor. 15:42

What the Sermon on the Mount is **NOT**: 1. Not _____.

2. Not a list of general _____ principles.

3. Not a list of things we _____ do.

*The gospel is less about how to get into the Kingdom of Heaven after you die,
and more about how to live in the Kingdom of Heaven before you die. - DW*


Jesus’ teaching **IS** about becoming like _____ from the inside out.

Matthew 5

The beatitudes proclaim God’s _____ to all who aspire to live under his rule.

God promises comfort and strength to _____ who work with him in this life. 5:4

Jesus promises _____ on the Day of Judgment to those who show mercy. 5:7

 *In the twilight of life, God will not judge us on our earthly possession and human success, but rather on how much we have loved. - St. John of the Cross*

5:38, “Eye for an eye” controlled retaliation in primitive society, but it did not **justify** it and Jesus does not _____ it. Jesus blesses everyone.

 *No one heals himself by wounding another. – St. Ambrose of Milan*

Mathew 6: Jesus call for a _____ response to God that identifies oneself with God’s purposes.

Our life is lived to God and not for the _____ of others. 6:5-6

The Lord’s Prayer: 1. _____ who God is: Holy, Powerful, Good; Always.

2. _____ for what you need.

3. We cannot ask for ourselves what we _____ to others. 6:14

When we live _____ for God and the purposes of God, then _____ we need will be provided for us. So, don’t _____. Really! 6:33

Matthew 7: God alone is the safe choice to judge a broken world. 7:1-5

God is _____ to give us everything we need and more. 7:7-11

The Christian life is not not doing anything wrong. The Christian life is courageously taking _____ to do God’s will in the world. 7:12

“Don’t be impressed with **charisma**; look for **character**.” 7:13-15

What is required is serious _____. 7:21

Jesus closes his teaching saying, “_____ are words to build a life on!” 24-25

Action Steps: 1. No _____, 2. No _____, 3. No _____ and 4. Never _____ or _____ again. God’s got you!