

## **Matthew - "Why Jesus?"**

### ***The Sermon on the Mount***

### ***"Retaliation & loving your enemies"***

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### **Framing The Sermon:**

- 1)The sermon isn't about rules...it's about an ideal*
  - 2)It is about a call He expects...that we cannot pull off without Him...which He then pulled off for us*
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  - d) Someone asking for money
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3 sections:

1) *"You have heard it said..."*

2) *"But I say to you..."*

- a) This isn't preaching passivity
  - b) An extreme way of speaking
  - c) REMEMBER - Not another rule
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  - d) He doesn't defend Himself against false charges (Matt. 26:62)
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John 1:12 But to all who did receive Him, who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God,

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I Cor. 15:55 “O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?”  
[56] The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. [57] But thanks be to God, Who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Ps. 13:14 For the LORD will vindicate His people and have compassion on His servants.

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*Eph. 2:1 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins [2] in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— [3] among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. [4] But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us, [5] even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—[6] and raised us up with Him and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, [7] so that in the coming ages He might show the immeasurable riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.*

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*Rom. 5:6 For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. [7] For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— [8] but God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*

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