

“Enter Through the Narrow Gate” Matthew 7:13-14

I. The Ministry of Jesus Christ

A. The Sermon on the Mount (Righteous principles of the promised Kingdom)

The purpose of the Sermon was to <u>instruct</u> those who believed on Christ as Messiah and to <u>condemn</u> those who had not yet done so.
Jesus raises the <u>level</u> of righteousness from a relative human standard to a <u>divine</u> standard
Jesus shows that mankind cannot <u>reach</u> this level of righteousness
For those who have accepted Jesus as the Messiah, it puts forth the righteous <u>principles</u> to be <u>employed</u> by faith as Jews until the kingdom is set up.
The sermon also contains <u>trans-dispensational principles</u> which are to be applied by faith for the believer <u>today</u>

*This section (7:13-27), deals with true righteousness...

Regarding entrance to the Kingdom (7:13-14) - 2 ways

Regarding False Prophets (7:15-20) – 2 trees

Regarding False Profession (7:21-27) -2 professions & 2 foundations

1. Jesus command regarding entrance into the kingdom: _____
_____ (v 13)

* Enter

2. The Reason: _____ (v 13)

* Gate

* Wide

* Way

* Broad

* Destruction

3. The gate commanded to enter through is _____

* Narrow

* Why is it narrow?

* How is the way of the narrow gate described?

* Difficult

* What is the *Reality* of v 14?

* What does this mean to you?