

“The Harsh Reality” Matthew 7:21-29

I. The Ministry of Jesus Christ A. The Sermon on the Mount

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>

1. The 1st Command: _____ (v 13)

2. The 2nd Command: _____ (v 15)

3. Harsh Reality # 1: _____ enters the kingdom of heaven (v 21-23)

4. Harsh Reality # 2: _____ who call Jesus “_____” will not enter the kingdom of heaven

* The phrase “*says to Me*” indicates that Jesus is the final _____ of things.

* The “*day*” Jesus speaks of is a future day of coming _____

* The “*many*” will cite _____ done in Jesus’ _____ as a valid way to enter the kingdom

* The ones who enter the kingdom are those who _____ and are _____ by Jesus

* What does the phrase “*will of the Father*” refer to?

* What does this not mean?

* What will Jesus **declare** about the “*many*”?

5. **The Final Illustration:** A _____ built on the solid _____ of _____
vs. A house built on the _____ of _____ (7:24-27)

* Who does this apply to?

* What are they to hear?

* How is the wise man described?

* “Does” =

* What is the wise man likened to here?

* How is the wise man different from the fool?

* How did the crowd respond? (7:28-29)

* What does all this mean to you?