


FRIDAY NIGHT YOUTH CLUB *BOOK #7*

His delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night. ~Psalm 1:2



**Way of
Wisdom**

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Below is one of the earliest messages preached by Jesus. It is sometimes called the Sermon on the Mount. The first verses of the sermon are called the Beatitudes. "Beatitude" comes from a Latin word that means "blessed" or "highly favored."

Memorize the Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12)

Matthew 5:1-6

¹*When Jesus saw the crowds, He went up on the mountain; and after He sat down, His disciples came to Him.*

²*He opened His mouth and began to teach them, saying,*

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

⁴*Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.*

⁵*Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the earth.*

⁶*Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.*

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Matthew 5:7-12

⁷Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

⁸Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

⁹Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

¹⁰Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me.

¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great; for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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Mount of Olives



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The Beatitudes teach people how to live under God's rule; how to let His rules guide how we behave. Below are additional topics where God gives rules that are supposed to influence how Christians behave.

ON THE USE OF OUR TONGUE

Psalm 19:14

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my rock and my Redeemer.

Proverbs 15:1

A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

Proverbs 15:4

A soothing tongue is a tree of life, but perversion in it crushes the spirit.

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Proverbs 25:11

*Like apples of gold in settings of silver
is a word spoken in right circumstances.*



James 1:26

*If anyone thinks himself to be religious, and yet does
not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this
man's religion is worthless.*

1 Peter 3:10

*For, the one who desires life, to love and see good
days, Must keep his tongue from evil and his lips from
speaking deceit.*

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**Quote all of the verses under ON THE USE OF OUR
TONGUE at one time.**

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ON TREATING OTHERS CORRECTLY

Matthew 5:42

Give to him who asks of you, and do not turn away from him who wants to borrow from you.

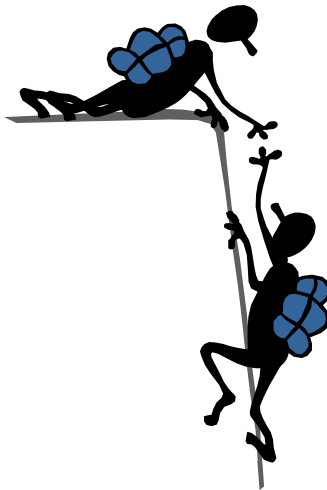
Galatians 6:2

Bear one another's burdens, and thereby fulfill the law of Christ.

Galatians 6:10

So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith.

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Philippians 2:4

Do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.

I Thessalonians 2:8

Having so fond an affection for you, we were well-pleased to impart to you not only the gospel of God but also our own lives, because you had become very dear to us.

Jude 23

Save others, snatching them out of the fire; and on some have mercy with fear, hating even the garment polluted by the flesh.

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Quote all of the verses under ON TREATING OTHERS CORRECTLY at one time.

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ON OBEYING - GOD GIVES US COMMANDS, BUT ARE WE REALLY OBLIGATED TO OBEY THEM? ARE THERE OTHERS WE MUST OBEY ALSO?

Exodus 19:5

Now then, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be My own possession among all the peoples, for all the earth is Mine.

Proverbs 1:8

Hear, my son, your father's instruction and do not forsake your mother's teaching.

Isaiah 1:19-20

If you consent and obey, you will eat the best of the land;²⁰ But if you refuse and rebel, you will be devoured by the sword. Truly, the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

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Colossians 3:20

Children, be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing to the Lord.

Hebrews 13:17

Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you.

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Quote all of the verses under ON OBEYING at one time

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THE MAN WHO WAS DIFFERENT

In the early 1900s, David and James, two young American men, set out early one morning along a rough country path in the nation of China. Their backpacks were filled with New Testaments that they were going to sell. Though the men did not need the money, asking people to buy Bibles helped the people to value them more. The men also hoped to be able to talk to the people who worshiped idols and tell them about the living God.

After a couple hours of hiking, they reached a town market—an open space filled with people, mules, and other things to be sold. The young men were nervous.

“They may never have seen anyone like us,” said James, who was younger than David.

“No, but we will show them the books,” said David. “Come on, I think they have seen us.”

All of the Chinese people looked at them strangely, and soon they were surrounded by a curious crowd. Some of the people laughed, some asked questions, but thankfully no one seemed hostile. Even though most of the Chinese farmers could not read, they bought Bibles eagerly, hoping they would find someone who could read it to them.

David and James moved slowly through the market, heading toward a small clump of trees. They

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sat down among people who were eating their lunches in the shade, and pulled out their remaining Bibles.

“Tell us about the books,” said a farmer lazily. “We cannot read.”

“What should I say?” thought David. “What would these people understand about a living, loving God? Would they care?” David glanced at the faces in the crowd. Some faces had blank looks, some had greedy, sneaky looks. David began to teach about Jesus, the One who lived on earth and did so much good.

“Jesus taught people to love their enemies, and said, ‘Blessed are the peacemakers and the merciful, and the pure in heart.’” The people listened. Some were amazed. Other listeners joined them.

Suddenly David was interrupted. A man pushed through the crowd. “I know that man,” the stranger announced. “He lives in our village. Come, I will take you to him.”

David tried to explain to the stranger that the Jesus about whom he was speaking had lived on earth a long time ago. The man brushed aside his explanations. “No, no,” the man said, “this Jesus friend of yours—there is only one person like him. He will be glad to see you, since you know him so well. Come, follow me. He lives in the next valley.”

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David and James were quite ready to follow; the man's words had stirred their curiosity. They shouldered their backpacks and followed him, eating lunch as they walked. An hour later they came to a village full of rundown huts, pigs and animals running loose, and a lot of decaying rubbish.

"Your Jesus friend lives here," said the farmer, stopping in front of an unusually tidy hut. "He will be surprised to see you."

Even before the farmer stopped, David and James knew that they had come to an unusual hut in the village. There was no trash in the front yard, and the owner had many flowers and plants growing. It was very different from the other homes. The owner of the hut clearly was different, too. His face wasn't greedy or sneaky, but kind and simple.

"Your friends," said the farmer to the owner of the hut, introducing David and James. "They were talking about you in the market. I guided them here." James handed the stranger a coin, and the stranger left. Now, David and James were alone with the owner of the hut.

"Come in," said the man courteously, "and be seated. You have walked far, and I don't have much. I will make you some tea." They talked while they drank their tea. "What are you doing in this out-of-the-way village?"

"We are selling books."

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“About what?”

“God the Creator of the world and His Son, Jesus Christ.”

“Jesus?” The man rose up with a strange brightness on his face. “Could it be the same? Do you know Jesus?” he breathed. “Could it be the same Jesus I know?”

He went to a box and came back with an old tattered Gospel of Mark in his hand.

“This is the book that told me about Jesus,” he said gently. “Years ago a man sold the book to me in the market, and I read it over and over day and night. Never had I known Someone like Jesus! He is so good and I am not. He opened my heart to believe His words and He has been changing me as I listen to His words and learn new ways to obey Him. Sometimes I think He really is here in this hut, or ploughing or harvesting with me, or walking the road to the market. Tell me, is this the same Jesus that you know?”

They stared at him, having difficulty believing that this man had so carefully been reading the Bible. The man’s face was so bright and full of love. “Yes, it’s the same Jesus,” said James. “There is only one Jesus who came from heaven both to do good and to change man’s heart to love what Jesus loves.”

“Was I right?” asked the farmer loudly, suddenly interrupting and sticking his head through the door.

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“Was this the man you were talking about in the market?”

“Well, the One we were talking about is here with us,” said David. “He lives in this house. In a way, you were perfectly right.”

Question and Answer Time:

1. Where does the story take place?
2. Why were David and James there?
3. Why were David and James surprised when they were interrupted?
4. Why do you think the story mentions the neatness and cleanliness of the village man's home and yard?

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5. Where can you find a copy of the Gospel of Mark?
6. What had the man learned from reading about things Jesus said and taught?

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