

"Ask, Seek, Knock"

Matthew 7:7-12

I. The Ministry of Jesus Christ

- A. The **Temptation** of Jesus Christ
- B. The **First Disciples** of Jesus Christ
- C. The **First Miracle** of Jesus Christ
- D. The **Conversation of Nicodemus** with Jesus Christ
- E. The **Conversation with the Woman at Jacob's well** with Jesus Christ
- F. The **Galilean Ministry** of Jesus
- G. The **Trip to Jerusalem** of Jesus
- H. The **Ministry** of Jesus with His disciples
- I. The **Sermon** on the Mount

The purpose of the Sermon was to **instruct** those who believed on Christ as Messiah and to **condemn** those who had not yet done so.

Jesus raises the **level** of righteousness from a relative human standard to a **divine** standard

Jesus shows that mankind cannot **reach** this level of righteousness

For those who have accepted Jesus as the Messiah, it puts forth the righteous **principles** to be **employed** by faith as Jews until the kingdom is set up.

The sermon also contains **trans-dispensational principles** which are to be applied by faith for the believer **today**

I. The Invitation: _____ (v 7, 8)

1. To benefit from this command you have to _____
in the process

* Ask for what?

2. To benefit from this command, you have to _____
during the process

3. To benefit from this command, you have to _____
as part of the process

4. The corresponding promises are: "Ask, and [1] _____, seek, and [2] _____; knock, and [3] _____ For everyone who asks [4] _____ and the one who seeks [5] _____ and to the one who knocks [6] _____"

* Is this for "everyone"?

* Is this a free for all?

II. The Illustration: _____ (v 9-11)

1. Jesus _____ God to a human father
2. Jesus calls his audience _____
3. God is _____ than your earthly father

III. The Application: _____ (v 12)

* What does this mean to you?