



# BEAUTIFUL ATTITUDES

The Sermon on the Mount  
Lesson FIVE





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MATTHEW 5-7

# A Public Declaration





Matthew 5:1 "his disciples came unto him."

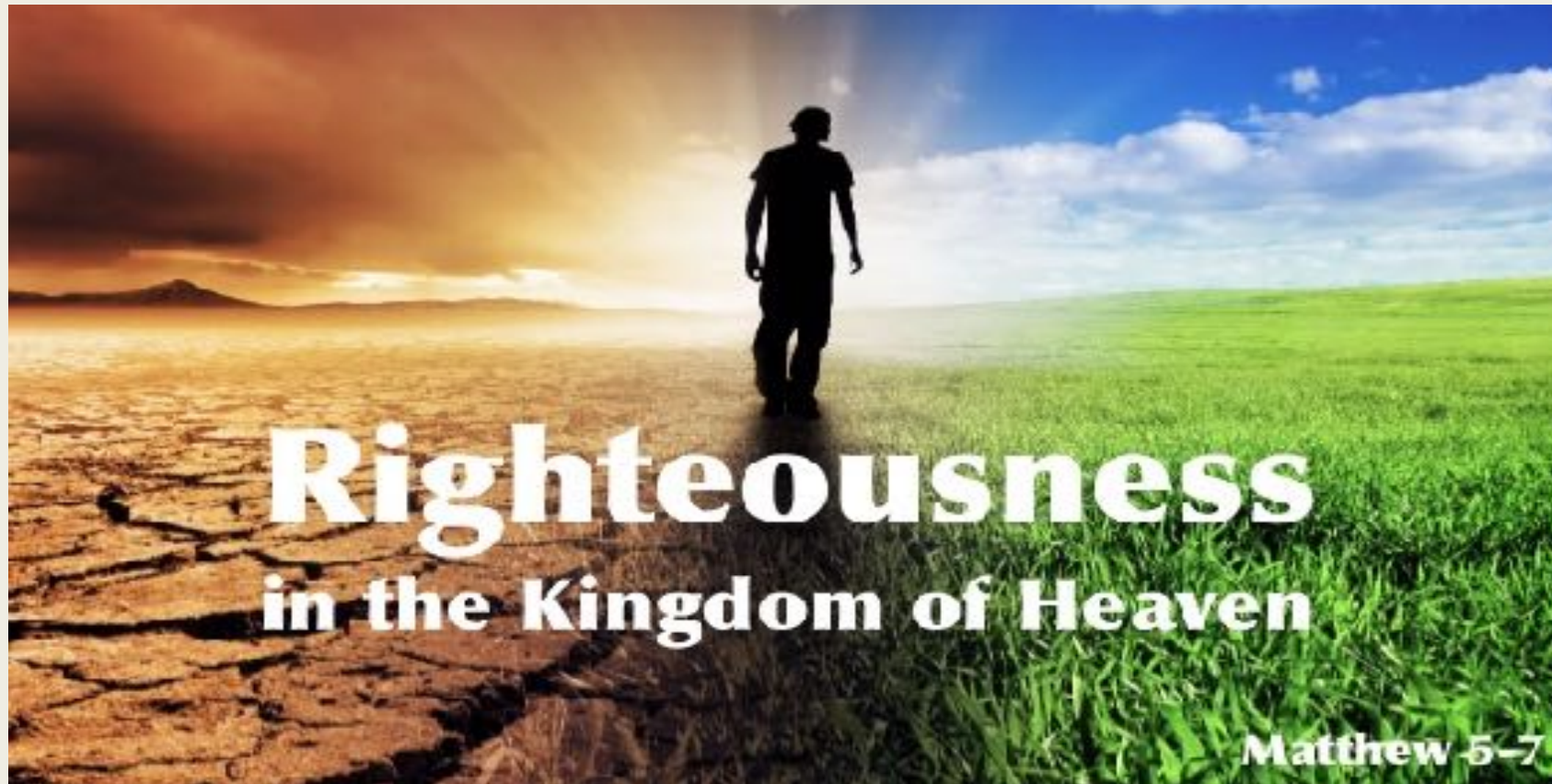


# Matthew 8:1 'great multitudes'





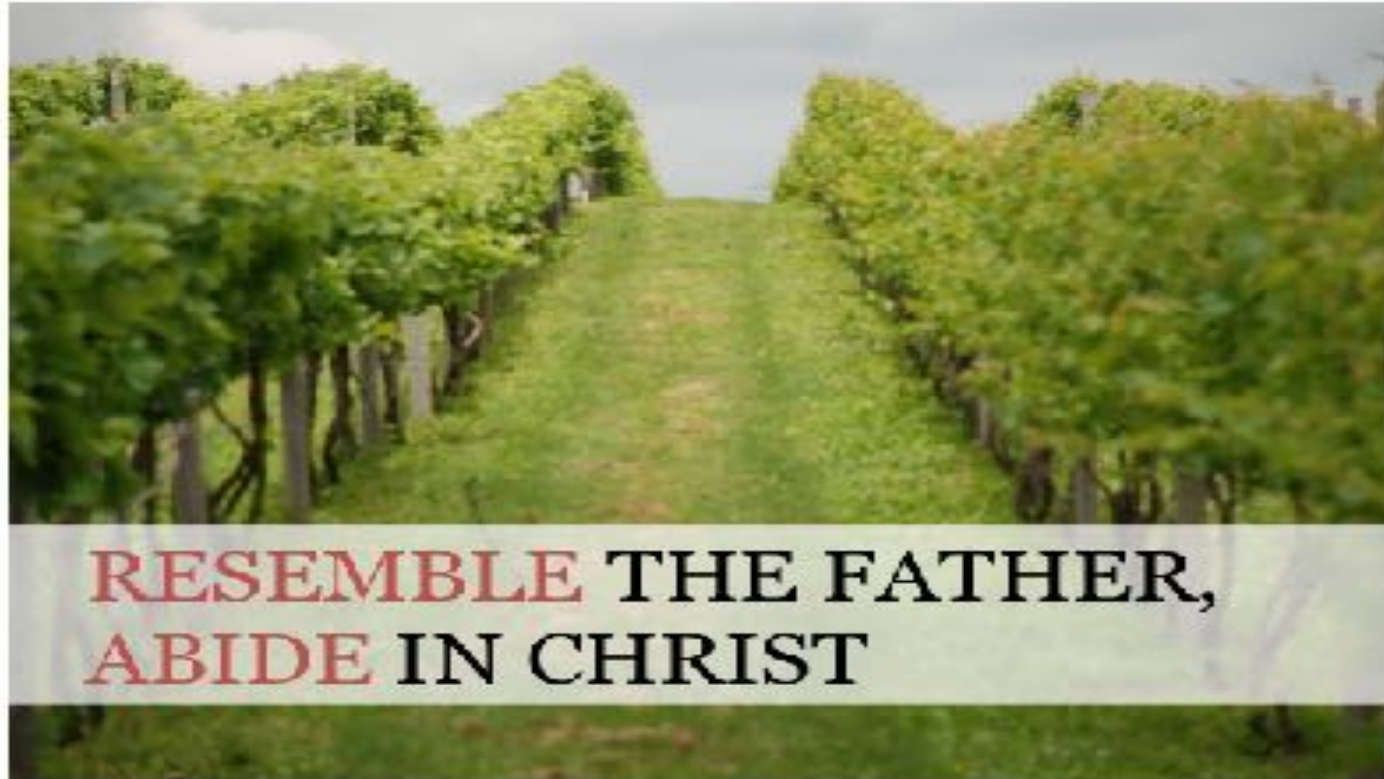
# KINGDOM RIGHTEOUSNESS



# A NEW DYNAMIC: UNLIMITED LOVE



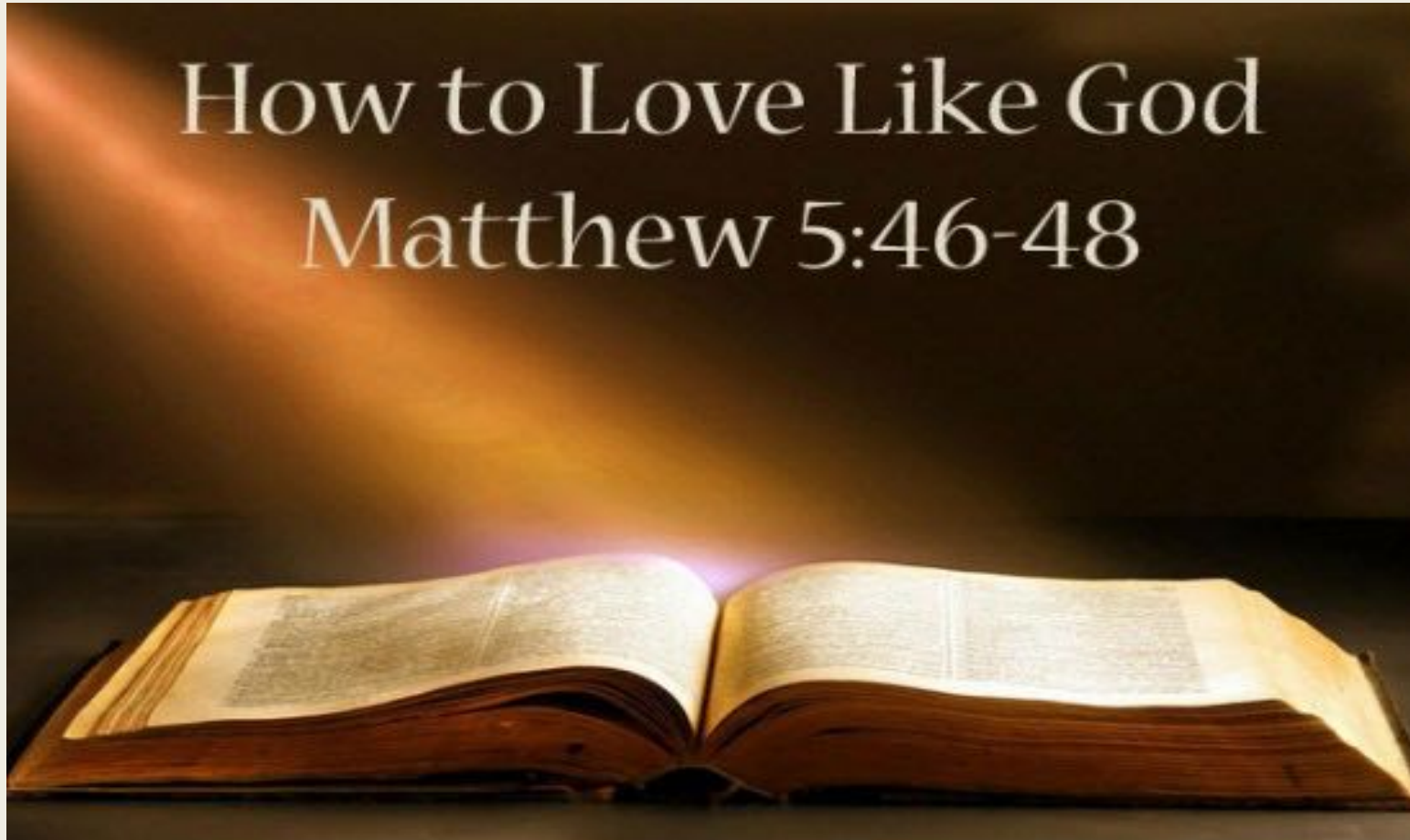
# Two Reasons for New Love





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How to Love Like God  
Matthew 5:46-48



Are you practicing unlimited  
love?

Matthew 5:48

*Be ye therefore perfect,  
even as your Father which  
is in heaven is perfect.*



# Beautiful Attitudes

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## I. THE PERSON OF MERCY





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## II. DEFINITION & DISTINCTION OF MERCY

### Compassion

Grace – to the  
underserving.

Mercy – to the  
miserable.

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- Mercy relates to consequences of sin.
- Grace deals with sin itself.

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- Mercy deals with symptoms
- Grace deals with cause
  - Mercy offers relief from punishment
  - Grace offers pardon from crime



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Synonym for mercy  
– **COMPASSION**

Illustration for  
mercy – **The  
Good Samaritan**

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## III. MERCY IN ACTION



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## 3 Elements of Mercy

- A. Recognition – see the need
- B. Motivation – moved by the need
- C. Action – meet the need



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## IV. THE SOURCE OF MERCY

- **Mercy to men brings mercy from God.**
- **God is the source**
- **Mercy is a gift**

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Psalms 103:11 ...  
great is his mercy  
toward them that  
fear him.

Luke 6:36 Be  
merciful as your  
Father is merciful

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## V. WAYS TO REVEAL GOD'S MERCY

A. Forgive

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1. There is a judgment coming.
2. There is forgiveness.
3. Proof of forgiveness is a changed life.

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*“The fact that you  
have forgiven and  
continue to forgive  
is a sign of  
grace. . . .”*

R. Kent Hughes



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B. Have  
Compassion

Luke 10:36-37

Move beyond  
feeling to  
showing.

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Galatians 6:1 “ye  
*which are spiritual,*  
***restore***

*Though we have  
sinned, he has*  
**mercy and pardon...**

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## C. Pray

Do the lost  
deserve Christ's  
forgiveness?

Ephesians 2:4-5

Rich in mercy

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1 Peter 1:3 “...  
according to his  
abundant mercy...”

The only people  
who receive mercy  
are those who don't  
deserve mercy.

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## Cycle of Mercy

1. God is merciful through the gospel.
2. Believers are taught to extend mercy.
3. As believers extend mercy, God replenishes.



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**Matthew 5:7** ‘they’  
– Only those who  
are merciful qualify  
to receive mercy

**2Samuel 22:26**

With the merciful  
thou wilt shew  
thyself merciful...

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**James 2:13**

God's Divine Balance

**Matthew 6:14-15**

**Remember:** We do not earn salvation by being merciful. God's mercy is poured out in grace.