



Cloverdale Bible Study

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Bait and Switch by Jesus The Sermon on the Mount

Matthew 7:28 - 29 (NLT) ²⁸After Jesus finished speaking, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, ²⁹for he taught as one who had real authority—quite unlike the teachers of religious law.

Jesus' teaching often times isn't what we _____, but it is always what we _____.

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.”

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth”

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled”

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.”

Matthew 6:9 - 15 (NIV) ⁹“This, then, is how you should pray: “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, ¹⁰your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹Give us today our daily bread. ¹²Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. ¹³And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.’ ¹⁴For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. ¹⁵But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

James 2:12 - 13 (NLT) ¹²So whenever you speak, or whatever you do, remember that you will be judged by the law of love, the law that set you free. ¹³For there will be no mercy for you if you have not been merciful to others. But if you have been merciful, then God's mercy toward you will win out over his judgment against you.

Why do I need mercy?

Because every choice comes with _____

Revelation 20:11-12, 15 (NLT) ¹¹And I saw a great white throne, and I saw the one who was sitting on it... ¹²I saw the dead, both great and small, standing before God's throne. And the books were opened, including the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to the things written in the books, according to what they had done... ¹⁵And anyone whose name was not found recorded in the Book of Life was thrown into the lake of fire.

Because you will be _____ in heaven for your deeds on _____

So Now What?

If I do my _____, God will do His _____

Proverbs 21:13 (NLT) ¹³Those who shut their ears to the cries of the poor will be ignored in their own time of need.

Matthew 18:32 - 33 (NLT) ³²Then the king called in the man he had forgiven and said, 'You evil servant! I forgave you that tremendous debt because you pleaded with me. ³³Shouldn't you have mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you?'

I do good works _____ of my salvation, not _____ my salvation

Ephesians 2:8 - 9 (NLT) ⁸God saved you by his special favor when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. ⁹Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it.

James 2:26 (NLT) ²⁶Just as the body is dead without a spirit, so also faith is dead without good deeds.

Final Thought: I know and understand that my actions and choices have a huge _____ on the big picture of my life. Being merciful isn't really about me; it is about God being able to work _____ me.

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