

Week 1: Intro to the beatitudes

Objective:

- Compare the nature of the commandments between the OT & the NT
- In spite of the difference, God's goal for mankind is the same
- Sin begins at the heart
- "You have heard ... but I tell you"
- How to apply these commandments in our lives

Resources:

- Fr Tadros Y Malaty Commentary on Matthew
- Fr Tadros Y Malaty Commentary on Luke
- Catena Bible Commentary (Matthew)
- Catena Bible Commentary (Luke)
- HEMY's Bible study on Matthew
- HEMY's Bible study on Luke

Reading:

- Matthew 5

Key verse(s):

- "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16

Comments:

- Compare how the commandments in the NT are more spiritual as the believers are more spiritually mature
- Discuss the role of God's grace in being able to fulfil these commandments even the hard ones like love your enemies
- How the Lord Jesus elevated our perception of sin
- Discuss the gospel of the second mile

- *** make sure to include and discuss day-to-day examples for every commandment mentioned in the chapter ***

Review/recap questions:

***Servant may add more questions*

Homework:

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