

WHEN JESUS QUOTES

THE OLD TESTAMENT

SERMON STRUCTURE/STYLE

▶ Poetry /Parallelism

- ▶ Beatitudes - Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn...
- ▶ You have heard...But I tell you...

▶ Hyperboles (exaggerated statement not meant to be taken literally)

- ▶ "If your right eye causes you to stumble, gauge it out..."

▶ Similes/Parables

- ▶ "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock"

SERMON STRUCTURE/STYLE

- ▶ Metaphors - Comparison between two unlike things
 - ▶ "You are the salt of the earth."
 - ▶ "You are the light of the world."
- ▶ Paradoxical Statements - Apparently contradictory statements
 - ▶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven (Matthew 5:16)
 - ▶ But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. (Matthew 6:3-4)
- ▶ Rhetorical Questions -
 - ▶ If you love those who love you, what reward will you get?

THE LAW - MATTHEW 5:17-20

- ▶ “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 5:17-20

MATTHEW 5:21-26

- ▶ You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.'
Matthew 5:21
- ▶ *But I tell you:*
 - ▶ *Anyone who is angry or disrespectful will be subject to judgement*
- ▶ "You shall not murder."
Exodus 20:13
- ▶ "You shall not murder."
Deuteronomy 5:17
- ▶ "Whoever strikes a man so that he dies shall be put to death" Exodus 21:12

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MATTHEW 5:27-30

- ▶ You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.'
Matthew 5:27
- ▶ *But I tell you:*
 - ▶ *Anyone who looks lustfully has committed adultery in his heart*
- ▶ "You shall not commit adultery." Exodus 20:14
- ▶ "And You shall not commit adultery."
Deuteronomy 5:18

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MATTHEW 5:31-32

- ▶ "It has been said, 'Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce.' Matthew 5:31
- ▶ *But I tell you:*
 - ▶ *Anyone who divorces his wife, except for marital unfaithfulness, makes her the victim of adultery*
 - ▶ *Anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery*
- ▶ "If a man marries a woman who becomes displeasing to him because he finds something indecent about her, and he writes her a certificate of divorce, gives it to her and sends her from his house..."
Deuteronomy 24:1

DIVORCE - THE INTERPRETATION OF THAT DAY

- ▶ “He that desires to be divorced from his wife for any cause whatsoever (and many such causes happen among men), let him in writing give assurance that he will never use her as his wife any more; for by this means she may be at liberty to marry another husband, although before this bill of divorce be given, she is not to be permitted so to do; but if she be misused by him also, or if, when he is dead, her first husband would marry her again, it shall not be lawful for her to return to him.” - Flavius Josephus (Antiquities)

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