



Family Worship Experience

— READ THE SCRIPTURE —

JESUS' SERMON ON THE MOUNT



Watch the Bible story video or read all or parts of Matthew 5–7 and Luke 6:17-49 from the Bible.



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- TALK ABOUT THE SCRIPTURE -

What kind of juice would you get if you squeezed an orange? What about if you squeezed an apple? Of course, the orange would give orange juice and the apple would give apple juice. If something else came out, then you need to throw away those oranges and apples!

One of Jesus' most well-known teachings is the Sermon on the Mount. In these verses from Matthew 5, Jesus described the type of character He desires in His followers. Jesus spoke of the blessings that come to a person who is humble, merciful, peaceful, and pure in heart. When the pressures of life squeezed His followers, these characteristics should come out.

When you are pressed by hard situations, does what comes out look like Jesus or something else? When we believe in Jesus, our hearts are changed to love and obey Him. We want to live in a way that honors Him. We will never do this perfectly, but the Holy Spirit helps us continue growing to look more like Jesus.

Humility, mercy, peace, and righteousness perfectly describe Jesus. When the Spirit helps us grow these traits in our lives, He is making us a light that points the world to Jesus!

Jesus taught how people in His kingdom have hearts that love God and love others. But because of sin, no one always does what is right and good. When we trust in Jesus, God forgives our sin and changes our hearts so we can live in ways that glorify Him.

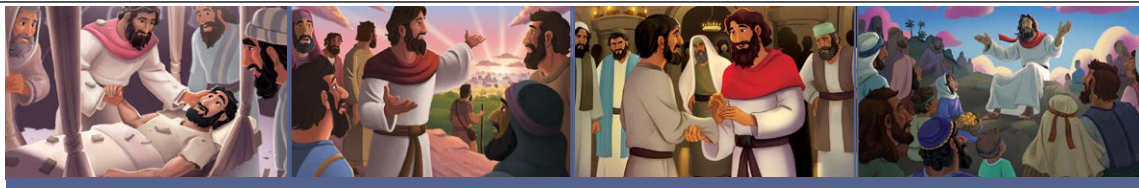
***Pray:** God, help us to grow in Christ-like character. Make us humble, peaceful, merciful, and hungry for righteousness. We want the Spirit to produce this good fruit in us so that we can live in a way that honors Jesus and points others to Him. Amen.*



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LEARN SCRIPTURE

The key passage below is focused on at church. Consider talking about what this passage means and memorizing it as well.



**Let your light shine before
others, so that they may see
your good works and give
glory to your Father in heaven.**

Matthew 5:16



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SING SCRIPTURE

Finish your family worship experience by playing the key passage song to worship and as a further way to memorize Scripture.



Family Prayer Time

Mornings

Ask the Holy Spirit to help you grow in Christ-like character. What are the fruits of the Spirit? How is the Spirit working to produce this fruit in you?

Evenings

Pray for those who are persecuted for their faith in Jesus. Why did Jesus say the Kingdom belongs to those who are persecuted for righteousness? How is their suffering uniting them to Jesus?



Family Activities

For Fun

Make fresh juice or lemonade by squeezing oranges, lemons, or limes. Let your child choose the fruits and try to make different juices. Read Matthew 5:1-12 and discuss the character traits Jesus described. Talk about how these traits describe Jesus and why they should be true of His followers. Remind kids that God has given the Holy Spirit to help believers grow in these good fruits.

To Serve

Make a fruit basket with fresh fruit, nuts, and candy. Choose a neighbor to receive the basket as a gift. Include a card that explains how your family is learning about showing love to others. Remind your child that one of those traits is to love others as He has loved us, so this gift is an expression of love for your neighbor!