



## The Week of January 22, 2023 "Quotable Jesus" for 500 Conversation Guide

### Take-Aways

- **What we should believe:**
  - **About Christ:** (Hebrews 1:1-4) I believe Jesus Christ is the Son of God who became man, lived a perfect life, died for sinners, rose from the dead and now reigns at the right hand of the Father.
- **What we should become:**
  - **Identity:** (John 1:12) I have worth and value because I am made in God's image and am His child. As His child, I live my life to bring glory to God and to serve His purposes.
- **How we should behave:**
  - **I place God's priorities above my own:** (Matthew 6:33) I will place God's priorities as described in the Bible ahead of my own.

### Intro Questions

- If a friend asked you what Jesus would tell them to do, what would you tell them?
- What is the difference between knowing a rule and obeying a rule?
- How many of Jesus's instructions to us can you name?
- Did He really say that? Find the Bible reference!
  - Check the context- does it mean what you thought it meant?

## What Did Jesus Really Tell Us?

- Read Matthew 5-7 and make a list of all the things Jesus tells us to do in the Sermon on the Mount
- Are these instructions easy to follow?
- Are they valuable?
- Who benefits from us following these instructions?
- What's Jesus final message in the sermon?
  - How do we build our life and faith on the solid rock?
  - What daily practices can prepare us to face doubt, persecution, pride, and all the other things that come against us?

Matthew 28:18-20

*Jesus came near and said to them, "All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."*

- What are we to teach new believers?
  - Why does Jesus specify teaching them to observe His commands?

## Next Steps

- Read through the Sermon on the Mount again this week.
  - Pray for the Holy Spirit to show you areas that you haven't trusted Jesus's instructions.
  - How are you developing the mind of Christ and taking on His character?
- Memorize John 8:31-32
- One of the best ways to strengthen and grow your faith is by faithfully reading His word-the Bible!
  - Create your own plan for daily Bible reading and implement it.
  - Join the Celebration family and read through the book of Luke during the Processing Doubt series (<https://www.bible.com/reading-plans/87>)
  - Search the YouVersion Bible App for a "Through the Bible" reading plan and commit now to read through the entire Bible.