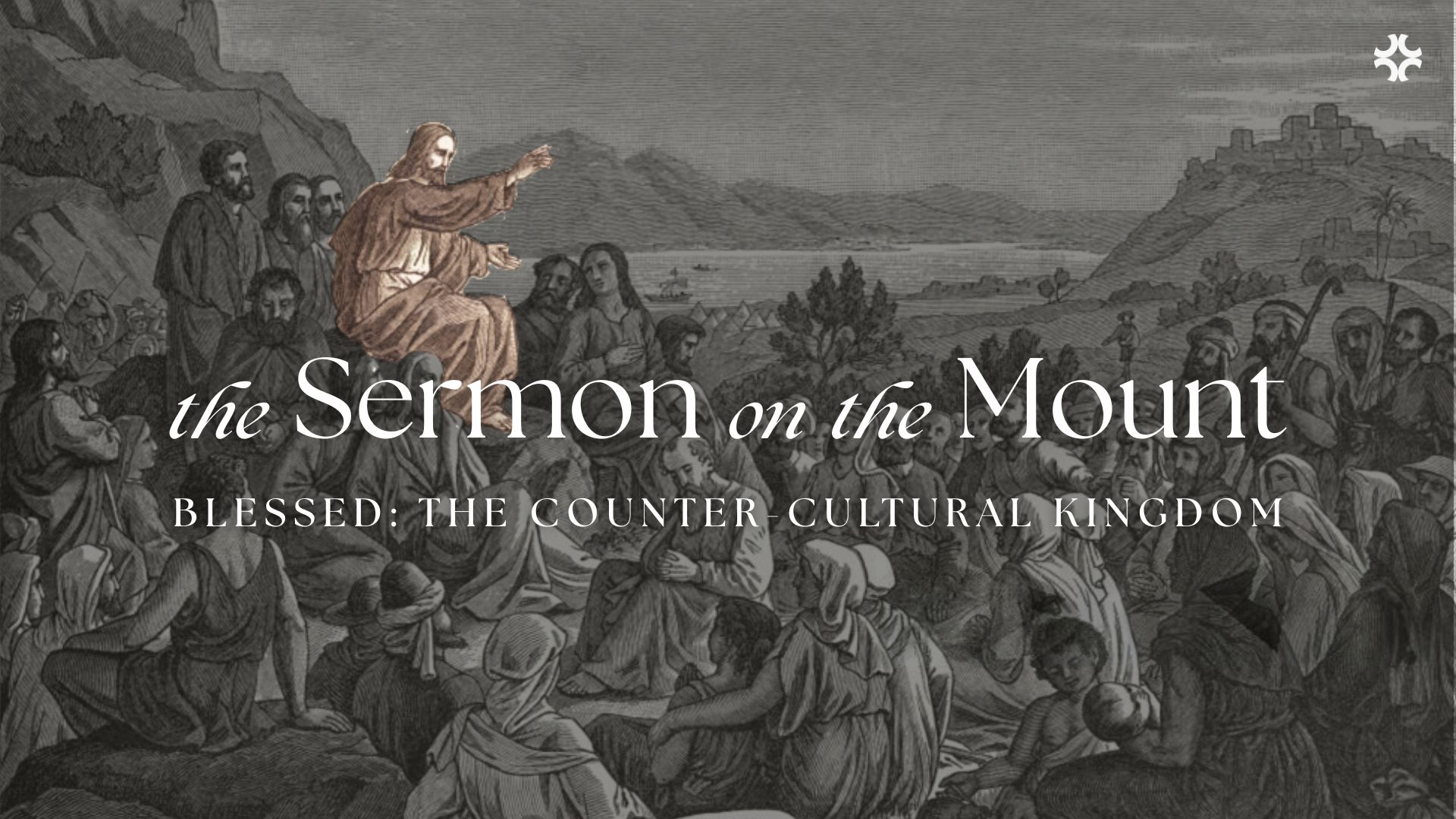




the Sermon on the Mount

BLESSED: THE COUNTER-CULTURAL KINGDOM

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Matthew 5:23 So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, **24** leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. **25** Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to

Matthew 5:25 ...the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison.

26 Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

27 “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ **28** But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

Matthew 5:29 If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body be thrown into hell. **30** And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body go into hell.

Matthew 5:20 “For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and the Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

Anger & Lust

Matthew 5:48 “You therefore must be perfect, as your Heavenly Father is perfect.”

Matthew 5:21-30

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Genesis 1:26 Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. ...**27** So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

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**Ephesians 4:26 Be angry and do not sin;
do not let the sun go down on your anger.**

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2. Adjusting How We Think About Lust

2 Samuel 13:15 Then Amnon hated her (Tamar) with very great hatred, so that the hatred with which he hated her was greater than the love with which he had loved her. And Amnon said to her, “Get up! Go!”

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2. Adjusting How We Think About Lust

- 1. Take lust seriously**
- 2. Take accountability for lust**
- 3. Take action against our lust**

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Matthew 5:28 “But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart.”

Matthew 15:19 For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander.

3. Healing our Hearts

Hebrews 4:15 For we do not have a high priest (JESUS) who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

3. Healing our Hearts

Adjusting Your Heart Daily

Admit - Where anger or lust is creeping into your heart.

Ask - Jesus to remind you of what he's done to give you a new heart.

Act - What action must you take to not be angry or lust in your heart?

Adore - Praise God for His power to heal your heart!