

HOW?: Sermon on the Mount | 2/16/2020

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Today's Focus: Disciples look to Jesus above all things, becoming his disciples.

Passage: Matthew 5:1-2: *Introduction to the Sermon on the Mount*

1 Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, 2 and he began to teach them.

Supporting Passages;

Mark 4:19:

...the worries of this life, the deceitfulness of wealth and the desires for other things come in and choke the word, making it unfruitful.

Mark 10:51:

"What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him. The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see."

THIS WEEK'S REFLECTION FOR YOU & YOUR ASC SMALL GROUP

1. **(Matthew 5:1-2):** Why did you choose to be a part of the ASC community? What has this community meant to you? What are your hopes for the ASC community?
2. **(Mark 10:51):** In what ways would you ask God to restore or alter your vision for this community? To see discipleship as core to who you/we are?
3. **(Mark 4:19):** Which "cares of the world" most often distract or distort your vision? How is the ASC community or our city impacted when that vision is distorted or misplaced?
4. **(Matthew 5:1-2):** As we re-establish our church focus, what next steps would you like to commit to help you "fix your eyes on Jesus" in partnership with others in the ASC community?

APPLICATION (NEXT STEPS THIS WEEK)

- 1) Begin Memorizing the *Sermon on the Mount* starting with this week's passage (Matt 5:1-2).
- 2) Evaluate if your eyes are "fixed on Jesus". Or, are you are a disciple of the crowd/our world? Commit to "seeking first His kingdom and His righteousness" over and above everything else today.