

Discussion Guide: May 12, 2024

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Message: *The Most Important Thing About a Road is Where It Leads*

Series: *Sermon On The Mount*

PRIMARY PASSAGE (NIV):

Matthew 7:13,14: *Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.*

MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS

- Two gates
- Two roads
- Two crowds
- Two destinations

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Share about a time when you were on the wrong road that did not lead to your intended destination.
2. Share your understanding about what makes the narrow gate difficult to pass through.
3. If you consider yourself on the narrow road today, what are some things you have needed to give up to get on that road and to stay on it? What are some concrete things you have gained?
4. Name some things a person needs to do in order to enter the narrow gate.
5. What does a person need to do to enter through the wide gate?
6. The words of Jesus seem very intolerant in our culture today. Why is that? What has changed?
7. Words like “destruction” and the “abyss” hit hard. Do you think they are accurate? Read Jude 17-23. What connections do you see?

PRAYER: *God, your Word has been called a two-edged sword. Sometimes its words are sweet and tender, and sometimes they are harsh and scary. Help me to accept both as from You. Keep me from a single-edged sword that only delivers partial truth. Amen.*