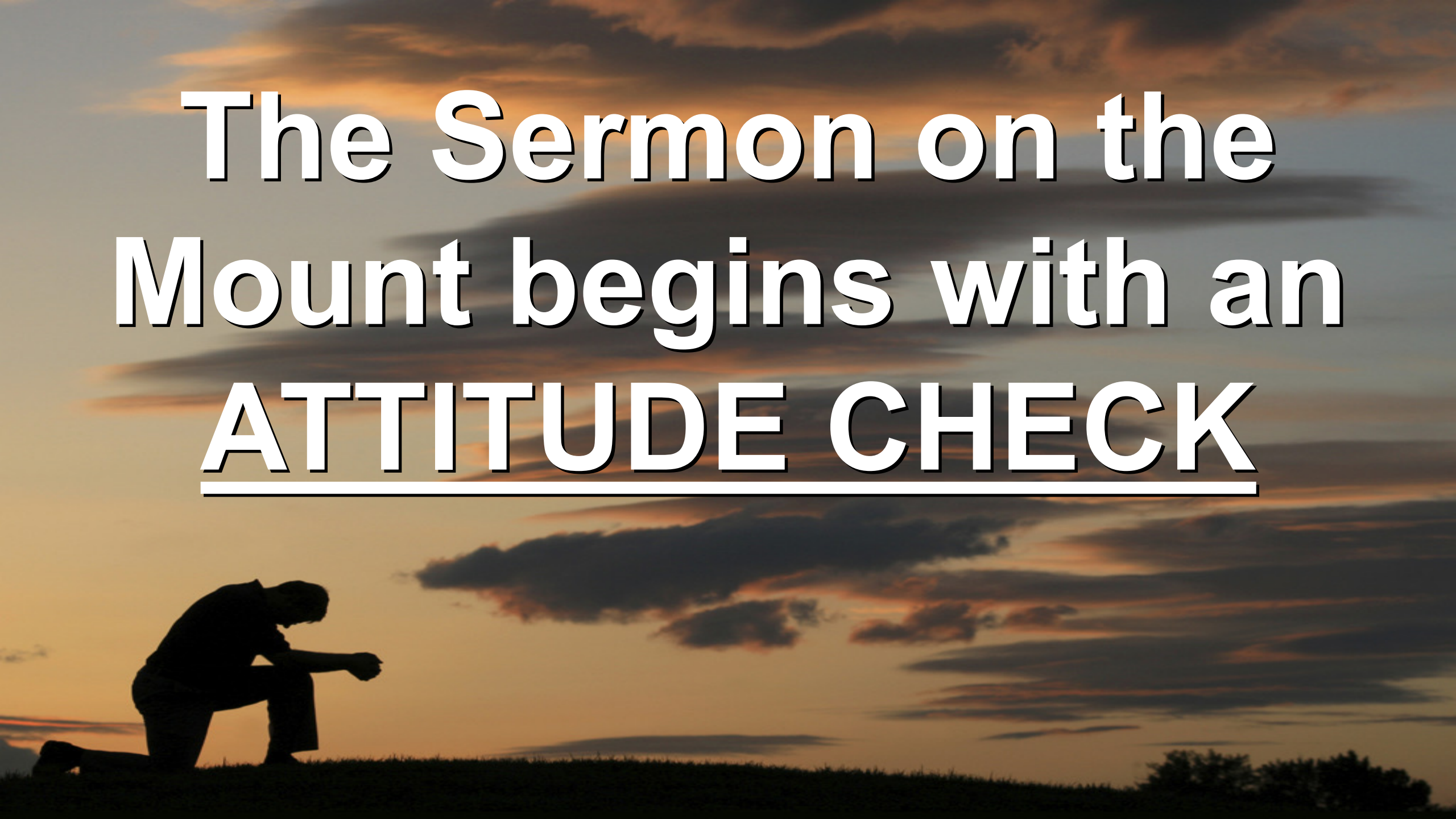


Right Attitudes for Kingdom Living Matthew 5:1-12



The Sermon on the Mount begins with an ATTITUDE CHECK



**Are attitudes are
formed on the
INSIDE. Our
Character comes
before our Conduct.**



**The Beatitudes are
attitudes that ought
to be in a believer's
life.**



Joy Comes in the Mourning

Matthew 5:4;
2 Corinthians 7:10-11



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**The Word of God
for the People of
God!**

Thanks Be to God!

Big Idea:

**Joy comes in the
mourning (grieving,
sorrow, sadness), when
we mourn over our sin.**



I. Godly Sorrow vs. Godless Sorrow



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**A. Godly sorrow is
God-centered;
Godless sorrow is
self-centered.**



B. Godless sorrow: 1. Covers



He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy.

PROVERBS 28:13 (NIV84)

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***We can fool other
people, but we
cannot fool God.***

B. Godless sorrow:

1. Covers

2. Pretends

3. Blames



II. Godly sorrow leads to change (repentance)



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Joy comes in the mourning
when our mourning leads
us to repentance and our
repentance leads us back
to God.

III. Godly sorrow leads to comfort



Progression:

Mourning →

Repentance →

Restoration →

Comfort → Joy

***Prayer: “Lord break
my heart with what
breaks yours.”***

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Beatitude # 1



II. The Helpless Aspect

“are the poor in spirit”
(Matthew 5:3b)



II. The Helpless Aspect is also the HUMBLE Aspect

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III. The Heavenly Aspect

“for theirs is the
kingdom of heaven.”

(Matthew 5:3c)



Three blessings of being “poor in spirit”

1. We experience the
presence of the King



Three blessings of
being “poor in spirit”
2. We experience the
protection of the King



Three blessings of
being “poor in spirit”

3. We experience the
power of the King



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I. The Delight of the Poor in Spirit



II. The Definition of the Poor in Spirit



Romans 7:18

"I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out."

III. The Details of the Poor in Spirit



A. Recognition



B. Honest Application



"Just as I am, without one plea,
But that thy blood was shed for me,
And that thou biddest me come to thee,
O, Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come."

C. Appeal to God



A. Recognition

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IV. The Door to Becoming Poor in Spirit



Main Point 1

- Point 1
- Point 2
 - Sub-Point 1
 - Sub-Point 2
 - Sub-Point 3
- Point 3

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are a broken spirit; A
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Psalm 51:17

**“For godly sorrow produces
repentance *leading* to
salvation, not to be regretted;
but the sorrow of the world
produces death.”**

2 Corinthians 7:10

**“When I kept silent, my bones
grew old Through my groaning all
the day long.**

**For day and night Your hand was
heavy upon me; My vitality was
turned into the drought of
summer.”**

Psalms 32:3-4

**“For he who covers his
sin will not prosper.”**

Proverbs 28:13

Matthew 23:25-27

"Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You clean the outside of the cup and dish, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. Blind Pharisee! First clean the inside of the cup and dish, and then the outside also will be clean. "Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You are like whitewashed tombs, which look beautiful on the outside but on the inside are full of dead men's bones and everything unclean."

2 Timothy 2:24-26

24 And the Lord's servant must not quarrel; instead, he must be kind to everyone, able to teach, not resentful.

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11 For observe this very thing, that you sorrowed in a godly manner: What diligence it produced in you, *what* clearing *of yourselves*, *what* indignation, *what* fear, *what* vehement desire, *what* zeal, *what* vindication! In all *things* you proved yourselves to be clear in this matter.

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