

# SERMON ON THE MOUNT

ELEVATE YOUR CHARACTER

Jesus is the Perfect Righteousness of God  
Matthew 5:17-20

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# MY APPLICATION

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

1. Jesus describes some of the Law in Matthew 5:19 as “least of these commandments.” Have you ever wondered why Jesus would speak about the Law in a way that assumes that some of it is “least?”
2. Can your group come up with three things that God’s Word calls us to do or to stay away from? Come up with three commands from the Bible. Now talk about ways we can make those things more or less challenging in our lives.
3. Jesus used the phrase “your righteousness exceeds that of the Pharisees.” Knowing that the Pharisees were a group of people who literally added rules on top of the Bible commandments, is the call to exceed encouraging to you or discouraging? Is there a way we can hear this calling as encouraging?
4. Jesus said right off the bat that He came to fulfill the Law. Is it easy for your eyes to see His accomplishment in this passage, or do you tend to see that you don’t measure up? Is it easy to see what the Bible calls us to, or is it easy to feel defeated when we read our Bibles?
5. What is one thing you can do this week to remind yourself that Jesus is your sufficiency?

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## Memory Verse

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.”

**Matthew 5:17**