

50 Commands of Christ - 4 - (#18-21)

We are about one-third of the way through the 50 commands of Jesus, but still in the Sermon on the Mount. Let's consider the next 4 commands.

18. Ask, seek, and knock—*Matthew 7:7-8*. What did Jesus say would happen if we bring our requests to him? (*John 15:7-8*)

What do you tend to pray about? For what are you reluctant to pray?

How did Luke enlarge upon this command? (*Luke 11:5-13*)

19. Do unto others—*Matthew 7:12*. This is commonly called _____

Is this something new from Jesus? (*Leviticus 19:18*) This is probably the most repeated command in the entire Bible. What does that mean?

If we follow this command, will it get us to heaven? If we don't follow it, are we rejected from heaven? (*James 2:14, 2:26*)

Is this an easy command to follow? All the time? With *everyone*?

20. Choose the narrow way—*Matthew 7:13-14*. This is referred to both as a gate and a road; which seems to make more sense to you?

Jesus said two important things about the road that leads to destruction. They are:

How many people find the small gate and narrow road? Does that mean God is hiding it from us?

Is choosing the narrow gate a one-time choice? If we walk along the broad road, does that mean we are shut off from the narrow way?

Why is it difficult to stay on the narrow road? Do you really want to? What actions can you take *this week* to help you stay on the narrow way?

21. Beware of false prophets—*Matthew 7:15*.

What do false prophets look like on the outside? What are they like inwardly?

Is this a big deal today? Are there modern-day false prophets? Who might they be? What is their motive (fame, power, glory, or _____)? Might they be well-meaning?