

Scripture Worksheets**Chapter 5**

¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a hillside and sat down. His disciples came to him, ²and he opened his mouth and began to teach them, saying,

³ “How blessed are those who are destitute in spirit,
for the kingdom of heaven belongs to them!

⁴ “How blessed are those who mourn,
for it is they who will be comforted!

⁵ “How blessed are those who are humble,
for it is they who will inherit the earth!

⁶ “How blessed are those who are hungry and thirsty for
righteousness,
for it is they who will be satisfied!

⁷ “How blessed are those who are merciful,
for it is they who will receive mercy!

⁸ “How blessed are those who are pure in heart,
for it is they who will see God!

⁹ “How blessed are those who make peace,
for it is they who will be called God's children!

¹⁰ “How blessed are those who are persecuted for
righteousness' sake,
for the kingdom of heaven belongs to them!

¹¹“How blessed are you whenever people insult you, persecute you, and say all sorts of evil things against you falsely because of me! ¹²Rejoice and be extremely glad, because your reward in heaven is great! For that's how they persecuted the prophets who came before you.”

¹³“You are the salt of the world. But if the salt should lose its taste, how can it be made salty again? It's good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled on by people. ¹⁴You are the light of the world. A city located on a hill can't be hidden. ¹⁵People don't light a lamp and put it under a basket but on a lampstand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before people in such a way that they will see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.”

¹⁷“Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I didn't come to destroy them, but to fulfill them. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not one letter or one stroke of a letter will disappear from the Law until everything has been accomplished. ¹⁹So whoever sets aside one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven. But whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness

greatly exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven!”

²¹“You have heard that it was said to those who lived long ago, ‘You must not murder,’ and ‘Whoever murders will be subject to punishment.’ ²²But I say to you, anyone who is angry with his brother without a cause will be subject to punishment. And whoever says to his brother ‘Raka!’ will be subject to the Council. And whoever says ‘You fool!’ will be subject to hell fire.

²³“So if you are presenting your gift at the altar and remember there that your brother has something against you, ²⁴leave your gift there before the altar and first go and be reconciled to your brother. Then come and offer your gift. ²⁵Come to terms quickly with your opponent while you are on the way to court, or your opponent may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. ²⁶Truly I tell you, you will not get out of there until you pay back the last penny!”

²⁷“You have heard that it was said, ‘You must not commit adultery.’ ²⁸But I say to you, anyone who stares at a woman with lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹So if your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one of your members than to have your whole body thrown into hell. ³⁰And if your

right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away from you. It is better for you to lose one of your members than to have your whole body go into hell.”

³¹“It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife must give her a written notice of divorce.’ ³²But I say to you, any man who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, causes her to commit adultery, and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.”

³³“Again, you have heard that it was said to those who lived long ago, ‘You must not swear an oath falsely,’ but ‘You must fulfill your oaths to the Lord.’ ³⁴But I tell you not to swear at all, neither by heaven, because it is God's throne, ³⁵nor by the earth, because it is his footstool, nor by Jerusalem, because it is the city of the Great King. ³⁶Nor should you swear by your head, because you cannot make one hair white or black. ³⁷Instead, let your word be ‘Yes’ for ‘Yes’ and ‘No’ for ‘No.’ Anything more than that comes from the evil one.”

³⁸“You have heard that it was said, ‘An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.’ ³⁹But I tell you not to resist an evildoer. On the contrary, whoever slaps you on the right cheek, turn the other to him as well. ⁴⁰If anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, let him have your coat as well. ⁴¹And if anyone forces you to go one mile, go two with him. ⁴²Give to the

person who asks you for something, and do not turn away from the person who wants to borrow something from you.”

⁴³“You have heard that it was said, ‘You must love your neighbor’ and hate your enemy. ⁴⁴But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵so that you will become children of your Father in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and the good, and he lets rain fall on the righteous and the unrighteous. ⁴⁶For if you love those who love you, what reward will you have? Even the tax collectors do the same, don't they? ⁴⁷And if you greet only your brothers, what great thing are you doing? Even the gentiles do the same, don't they? ⁴⁸So be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

Chapter 6

¹“Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of people in order to be noticed by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven. ²So whenever you give to the poor, don't blow a trumpet before you like the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets so that they will be praised by people. Truly I tell you, they have their full reward! ³But when you give to the poor, don't let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴so that your giving may be done in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.”

⁵“And whenever you pray, don't be like the hypocrites who love to stand in the synagogues and on the street corners so that they will be seen by people. Truly I tell you, they have their full reward! ⁶But whenever you pray, go into your room, close the door, and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

⁷“When you are praying, don't say meaningless words like the gentiles do, for they think they will be heard because of their wordiness. ⁸Don't be like them, because your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

⁹“Therefore, this is how you should pray:

‘Our Father in heaven,
may your name be kept holy.

¹⁰ May your kingdom come.

May your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

¹¹ Give us today our daily bread,

¹² and forgive us our sins,

as we have forgiven those who have sinned against us.

¹³ And never bring us into temptation,

but deliver us from the evil one.’

¹⁴For if you forgive people their offenses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. ¹⁵But if you do not forgive people their offenses, your Father will not forgive your offenses.”

¹⁶“Whenever you fast, don’t be gloomy like the hypocrites. For they put on sad faces to show others they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have their full reward! ¹⁷But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, ¹⁸so that your fasting will not be noticed by others but by your Father who sees in secret. And your Father who is in secret will reward you.”

¹⁹“Stop storing up treasures for yourselves on earth, where moths and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal.

²⁰But keep on storing up treasures for yourselves in heaven, where moths and rust do not destroy and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

²²“The eye is the lamp of the body. So if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light. ²³But if your eye is evil, your whole body will be full of darkness. Therefore, if the light in you is darkness, how great is that darkness!”

²⁴“No one can serve two masters. For either he will hate one and love the other, or be loyal to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and riches!”

²⁵“That's why I'm telling you to stop worrying about your life—what you will eat or what you will drink—or about your body—what you will wear. Life is more than food, isn't it, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds in the sky. They don't plant or harvest or gather food into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. You are more valuable than they are, aren't you? ²⁷Can any of you add a single hour to your span of life by worrying? ²⁸And why do you worry about clothes? Consider the lilies in the field and how they grow. They don't work or spin yarn, ²⁹but I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was clothed like one of them. ³⁰Now if that is the way God clothes the grass in the field, which is alive today and thrown into an oven tomorrow, won't he clothe you much better—you who have little faith?

³¹“So don't ever worry by saying, ‘What are we going to eat?’ or ‘What are we going to drink?’ or ‘What are we going to wear?’ ³²For it is the gentiles who are eager for all those

things. Surely your heavenly Father knows that you need all of them! ³³But first be concerned about God's kingdom and his righteousness, and all of these things will be provided for you as well. ³⁴So never worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.”

Chapter 7

¹“Stop judging, so that you won't be judged. ²For with the judgment you use, you will be judged. And with the measure you use, you will be measured.

³“Why do you see the speck in your brother's eye but fail to notice the beam in your own eye? ⁴Or how can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when the beam is in your own eye? ⁵You hypocrite! First remove the beam from your own eye, and then you will see clearly enough to remove the speck from your brother's eye.”

⁶“Never give what is holy to dogs or throw your pearls before pigs. Otherwise, they will trample them with their feet and then turn around and attack you.”

⁷“Keep asking, and it will be given to you. Keep searching, and you will find. Keep knocking, and the door will be opened for you. ⁸For everyone who keeps asking will receive, and the person who keeps searching will find, and the person who keeps knocking will have the door opened.

⁹“There isn't a person among you who would give his son a stone if he asked for bread, is there? ¹⁰Or if he asks for a fish, he wouldn't give him a snake, would he? ¹¹So if you who are evil know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who keep on asking him! ¹²Therefore, whatever you want people to

do for you, do the same for them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.”

¹³“Go in through the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the road is spacious that leads to destruction, and many people are entering by it. ¹⁴How narrow is the gate and how constricted is the road that leads to life, and few are the people who find it!”

¹⁵“Beware of false prophets who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are savage wolves. ¹⁶By their fruit you will know them. Grapes aren’t gathered from thorns, or figs from thistles, are they? ¹⁷In the same way, every good tree produces good fruit, but a rotten tree produces bad fruit. ¹⁸A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, and a rotten tree cannot produce good fruit. ¹⁹Every tree not producing good fruit will be cut down and thrown into a fire. ²⁰So by their fruit you will know them.”

²¹“Not everyone who keeps saying to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will get into the kingdom of heaven, but only the person who keeps doing the will of my Father in heaven. ²²Many will say to me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, we prophesied in your name, drove out demons in your name, and performed many miracles in your name, didn’t we?’ ²³Then I will tell them plainly, ‘I never knew you. Get away from me, you evildoers!’”

²⁴“Therefore, everyone who hears these words of mine and obeys them is like a wise man who built his house on a rock.

²⁵The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, but it did not collapse because its foundation was on the rock.

²⁶“Everyone who hears these words of mine and doesn't obey them is like a foolish man who built his house on sand.

²⁷The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and battered that house, and it collapsed, and its collapse was devastating.”

²⁸When Jesus had finished saying all these things, the crowds were utterly amazed at his teaching, ²⁹for he was teaching them like a person who had authority, and not like their scribes.