

## The Sermon on the Plain

The Sermon on the Plain refers to a set of teachings by YAHUSHUA in the Gospel of Luke, in 6:20-49. This sermon may be compared to the longer Sermon on the Mount in the Gospel of Matthew.

YAHUSHUA delivered the Sermon on the Mount after going up a mountain and sitting down (Matthew 5:1). He delivered the Sermon on the Plain after coming down from a mountain and standing on a level place (Luke 6:17).

The Sermon on the Plain begins with some beatitudes (Luke 6:20-23)

Next in the Sermon on the Plain YAHUSHUA gives seven commands (Luke 6:27-31)

As YAHUSHUA continues the Sermon on the Plain, He points to four laws that affect our everyday lives: the law of reciprocity (Luke 6:37-38), the law of leadership (verses 39-40), the law of perspective (verses 41-42), and the law of the harvest (verses 43-45).

In teaching about reciprocity, YAHUSHUA says that, if you dish out judgment, you can expect to get judgment in return. If you give condemnation, you will get condemnation. But if you extend forgiveness, you will be forgiven.

In speaking of leadership, YAHUSHUA teaches that it matters whom you follow, because you will go where your leader goes and you will become like him. It also matters how you lead. Blind leaders of the blind will send everyone into the ditch.

Turning to the matter of perspective, YAHUSHUA says that we are often blind to our own faults, and we must beware of hypocrisy when trying to help others. Rather than identifying and criticizing the small shortcomings in the lives of others, we must learn to recognize our own personal faults.

YAHUSHUA then uses the principle of the harvest to teach the importance of personal holiness before God. The fruit matches the tree; a good heart will bring forth good deeds and good words.

YAHUSHUA closes the Sermon on the Plain with an admonition to follow through on our commitment. It's not enough to call YAHUSHUA "Lord"; we must actually do what He tells us (Luke 6:46). Those who obey the Lord will be unshakeable, like a house built on a solid rock (verses 47-48). Those who disobey or ignore the Lord's commands will be like a house with no foundation—they will experience a tragic collapse (verse 49).

YAHUSHUA points to Himself as the standard of righteousness and the very foundation of our lives.

1. What is the summary of the sermon on the plain?

2. The sermon on the plain begins with?

3. YAHUSHUA gives what ?

4. This sermon is compared too ?

5. YAHUSHUA is the F\_\_\_\_\_ of our lives.

6. What can we learn about the 7 commands given ?

7. What happens to those who obey compared too those who disobey ?

8. What can we learn from the 4 laws?