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MATTHEW 5-7

“Who is Changing
Who?”

Matthew 5:13-20

“We have not embraced the heart of Jesus’ kingdom –poverty of spirit, truly hungering for God, going the second mile in love, living before an Audience of one, and following the narrow way.

How easy is it to go through the motions, doing the right things with the wrong heart, and missing the Kingdom life of Jesus?”

Introduction

- 4 levels of MORAL norms used to make ethical decisions.
- The First consists of making particular judgements, RIGHT or WRONG. These are situation driven.
- The Second is that RULES are on a higher plane (Mt. 5:41). These can be legalistic.

Introduction

- The Third are principles which serve as GENERAL guidelines such as LOVE your ENEMIES (Mt. 5:44). These are built singly on principles.
- The Fourth and highest level is BASIC conviction, based on the Person and Action of God.

Jesus FULFILLED the Law

- He fulfilled the PROPHECIES as the SUFFERING servant.
- He fulfilled the NEEDS of a SIN sacrifice.

Jesus KEPT the Law

- (Hebrews 4:14-16)
- He did it PERFECTLY.

We are to OBEY the Law.

- Old Testament SPIRITUAL examples, ETHICAL teachings and doctrinal TRUTHS are still true today!

We are to have a SURPASSING
righteousness.

- The scribes and Pharisees had an OUTWARD obedience but an INWARD deadness.
- We are to have an INWARD righteousness that results in OUTWARD obedience.

Thought

“We want to bring attention to God not ourselves!”

Conclusion

- We are the SALT as we influence the world for GOD!
- We are the LIGHT as we show people HIS way!