

Life at the Cross Roads, Which Road will you Choose?

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Matthew 7:13-14

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Open Your Heart and Mind

- What are your thoughts about Jesus' teaching as He draws the Sermon on the Mount to a close?

Finding God in His Word (Read Matthew 7:13-14)

- As Jesus gives two distinct options, one for life and one for death, what is your reaction to this? Is this disturbing or comforting to you?
- "Enter through the narrow gate..." Why do you think Jesus is so exclusive? Why won't the broad gate lead to life? Doesn't it seem backwards that the broad and easy way lead to death, while the narrow and hard way lead to life? Why or why not?
- What makes the broad way so appealing? Can you add Jesus to the broad road and still have eternal life?
- The narrow gate represents Jesus. What does the narrow or hard way represent?
- The broad gate and broad road lead to hell. Those who are listening to Jesus preach are His disciples. Why would Jesus need to warn those who are following Him of hell?
- The true disciple will have a way of life that reflects the character and nature of God. The fruit of their life will give evidence that they are truly saved. Do you agree with this or disagree? Why or why not?
- If you follow Jesus, the way will be hard. What makes it hard? Why does it need to be hard?
- When you look at your life, is there a growing desire for Jesus Christ? Do you long to spend time with Him? Do you desire to please Him? Do you have fellowship with Him?

Live the Christ Life

1. Christ gives us the power to live the life He calls us to. He gives us a new nature. He has given you His Spirit so that you can live for His glory. Apart from Christ you cannot live the Sermon on the Mount out. Abide in Christ, let Him lead you.