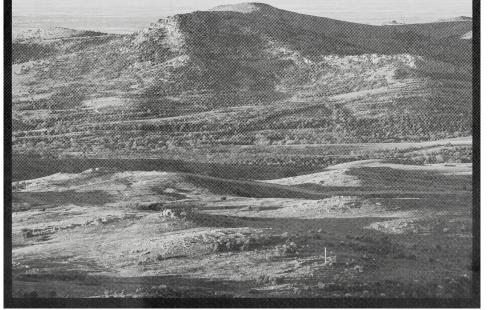
# Masterclass

the sermon on the mount



#### **MASTERCLASS** (January 7 to March 24)

The idea of a "masterclass" is to learn from the world's best experts on a variety of subjects. In a sermon recorded in Matthew 5 to 7, Jesus offers the ultimate — and original — masterclass on Kingdom living. The Sermon on the Mount doesn't say "live this way to be my disciple" but rather "because you are my disciple, this is how you were meant to live." Kingdom living is often in direct opposition to the way of the world. However, when we sit at the feet of the master and learn, we find a life like no other.

# **Group Discussion**

**Getting started:** If you could build your house anywhere in the world, where would you build it?

- 1. What stood out to you or challenged you from this week's message?
- 2. Read *Matthew 7:24-25*. What two things does Jesus tell us to do in verse 24? How do these two things together make a person wise? Why do you think Jesus compares a life of following him, not just listening to him, to a house built on the rock?
- 3. Read *Matthew 7:26-27*. What is the only difference between the house described here and the house described in the previous verses? How have storms in your life revealed your own foundation?
- 4. Read *Psalm 90:12*. How does this create a sense of urgency? Why does that lead to wisdom?
- 5. We are all building a life. Every decision you make, everyday, is building you into the person you will be forever. What decisions are building the life you want? What decisions are building a life you don't want? Why is "is it wise?" a better question than "is it okay?"

## **Next Steps**

- 1. What have you learned about God from His Word?
- 2. How is He asking you to apply it to your life?
- 3. When will you apply it?

#### Resources

- The Sermon On The Mount by The Bible Project
- The Divine Conspiracy by Dallas Willard

### **Next Week**

"He isn't here! He is risen from the dead, just as he said would happen." (Matthew 28:6a). On Sunday, we will celebrate this history-shaking news!

• **Jasper:** 8, 9:30, and 11 a.m. EDT.

Loogootee: 9 and 10:30 a.m. EDT.

Tell City: 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m. CDT.

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