

# JESUS TEACHES

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## Introduction:

### 1st: Christ most Comforting claim (John 11:25-26)

- Practical Insights:

### 2nd: Christ most Controversial claim (John 14:6)

- What is controversial about "I am the Truth"? (John 8:31-34)
- What is controversial about "I am the Life"?
- What is controversial about "no one comes to the Father except through me"?

### 3rd: Christ most Challenging claim (Luke 11:23)

- Practical Insights:

## Conclusion:

## Table Talks

After months of traveling around the region, Jesus' miraculous exploits were well known. Crowds quickly gathered and willingly followed wherever He went. Now that He had their attention, Jesus took the opportunity to teach about God's kingdom. He wanted those who chose to be a part of this Kingdom to know how they should live. This session covers highlights of Jesus' famous Sermon on the Mount, which spans Matthew chapters 5–7. After Jesus shared these memorable insights, the people were amazed because He taught with authority, unlike other religious teachers.

1. Think back on your days in school. Who was your favorite teacher? What made him or her so special?
2. What can make living for Jesus difficult in our culture today?
3. **Read Matthew 5:3–12.**
  - \* Which beatitude is most meaningful to you? Why?
4. **Read Matthew 5:21–24; 6:14–15.**
  - \* Why do you think it matters so much to God that His children live in right relationship with one another?
5. **Read Matthew 5:43–48.**
  - \* Have you ever been shown love by someone who—by the world's standards—had every right to consider you an enemy? What effect did it have on you?
  - \* Think of a time when you put this teaching of Jesus into practice. How did you love your enemy? What was the result?
6. **Read Matthew 7:1–5.**
  - \* What do you think Christ-followers can do to welcome—and even be agents of healing—to those who have been hurt by the sting of hypocrisy?
7. **Read Matthew 7:21–27.**
  - \* Why do you think acting on what you know is such a fundamental part of being a Christ-follower?