



Theme Scripture

Climbing the Mountain: Taking Hold
A journey through the Sermon on the Mount
Matthew 5:1-16

To get ready for another great year at camp, you are invited to spend some time with our theme scripture, Matthew 5:1-16. For a **free camp prize**, you may choose to memorize a portion of the scripture (the same number of verses as your age), *or* you may choose to submit a video using these verses as the inspiration. See the next page for more information on how to participate.

Matthew 5:1-16 (New International Version)

5 Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, ² and he began to teach them.
He said:

³ "Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.

⁵ Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the earth.

⁶ Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be filled.

⁷ Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.

⁸ Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they will see God.

⁹ Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰ Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

¹³ "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Submission Form

Get ready for camp, spend time with the scripture, and earn your camp drawstring bag, all at the same time!
Please mail this form along with your payment/health forms or bring it along to check-in.

Scripture Memorization | Matthew 5:1-16

To receive a **free camp drawstring bag**, campers need to memorize the same number of verses as their age. They may choose to memorize any continuous portion of the scripture and may recite these to any non-family adult (ex. pastor, youth sponsor, teacher, neighbor).

Camper Name: _____ Camp: _____

Adult Signature: _____ Date: _____

Video Submission | Matthew 5:1-16

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| <p>Create your 2-4 minute video.</p> <p>Videos should be formatted as .MOV</p> | <p>Submit your video.</p> <p>Email a YouTube video link to program@laurelville.org or mail/bring a CD or DVD to Laurelville.</p> | <p>Claim your prize.</p> <p>Receive your prize at registration.</p> |
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Your video should be 2-4 minutes in length and include a reference to at least one portion of the theme scripture. Act it out, give it a modern twist, interpret it through dance or song, create a stop-motion animation—it's up to you! So grab a friend or two or ten and get started today.

Names | Please include the names of everyone that participated in the video and the camp they will attend.

Name of contact (person submitting the video) _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Title of video _____

How will you be submitting your video? Email Mail or bring a CD or DVD

Questions? Call 724-423-2056 or email program@laurelville.org.