

## **The Sermon on the Mount**

**Lesson aim: To explore in detail the principles upon which the kingdom is founded by examining Jesus' teaching.**

### **The twelve apostles named--Lk. 6:12-16 (Mk. 3:13-19)**

- 1. What did Jesus do the night before he chose the twelve apostles? Why was this decision so important?*
- 2. What do you find interesting about the men Jesus selected?*

### **Setting of the Sermon--Mt. 5:1-2 (Lk. 6:17-19)**

**Blessings of those who inherit the kingdom and woes to those who do not--Mt. 5:3-12 (Lk. 6:20-26)**

- 1. What is meaning of the word "blessed" as used by Jesus?*
- 2. Explain the meaning of each quality mentioned and its promised result.*

- 3. What corresponding "woes" does Luke add?*

### **The role of disciples in the world--5:13-16**

- 1. What is the significance of disciples being called "the salt of the earth"? In what ways do Christians fulfill this role?*

2. *What is the significance of Christians being called "the light of the world"? In what ways do Christians fulfill this role?*
3. *What is the ultimate objective of the disciples' good works?*

***Research challenge:***



***Where did the word "beatitude" come from? Why is it the common designation for the first verses of Jesus' mountain sermon?***