

Mat 7:24 "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock.

Mat 7:25 And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock.

Mat 7:26 And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand.

Mat 7:27 And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it."

Ps 94:12 "Blessed is the man whom you discipline (chasten), O LORD, and whom you teach from your law..."

רב ge-VER "mighty, strong, competent"

עֹאַיש HA—ish "the individual man"

# **Psalm One Doorway to the Psalms** "The Blessed Man" The Kings of Israel Sermon on the Mount

Gateway to the Kingdom

"The Ultimate King"

### The Righteous Character of the Blessed People

Poor in Spirit

Mourn for the Oppressed

Meek (Humble)

Seeking Righteousness

Merciful

Pure in Motive and Intent

**Peacemakers** 

Persecuted (Poor in Body)

Sprinkling Salt—Shining Light

Obey the Law and Teach the Law

Be More Righteous than Pharisees

Anger—Murder starts in the heart

Lust—Adultery and Divorce start in the heart

Lies—False oaths start in the heart

Revenge—Getting even starts in the heart

### The True Standard of Righteousness—LOVE For All

"Be perfect—As Your Father is Perfect"

Love and prayer start in the heart

# The Righteous Behavior of the Blessed People

Generosity and The Social Welfare

Prayer of Praise, Submission, Petition and Repentance

Fasting (Self-denial)

Money as Servant—Not Master

Practice Serenity—Let the Father Provide our needs

Committed to Service—Not Judgment

## The King's Challenge

"Ask—Seek—Knock and My Father will answer"

"Live the Law of Love—like the Prophets"

"Take the hard road"

"Beware of false prophets and false claims"

"DECIDE! Listen to Me—Obey Me—Build for Me"

### **The King's Promise**

"Your House will stand"

"Blessed is the man who delights in the Law of the Lord, who meditates on it day and night, who will prosper in all that he does, who will stand in the Assembly of Righteous..."

Truth is not in the Sermon on the Mount alone, it is in the One Who lived out the Sermon on the Mount on Golgotha. The four woes would have been ethical condemnations, if He had not died full of the opposite of the four woes: poor, abandoned, sorrowful, and despised. On the Mount of the Beatitudes, He bade men to hurl themselves on the cross of self-denial; on the Mount of Calvary, He embraced that very cross. Though the shadow of the Cross would not fall across the place of the skull until three years later, it was already in His heart the day He preached on "How to be a Blessed Man."

Sheen, F.J. Life of Christ (p. 154). The Crown Publishing Group.

# **DECIDE!**

Not just with one BIG decision, but a lifetime of decisions. Jesus is speaking to the disciples, or to anyone who may believe in Him.

"Do This!! Be a Blessed Man! Bear fruit! Build!"

Plant yourself by **the** brook and bear fruit for sinners **to eat...**Build your house on **the** rock and provide shelter for sinners **to live...** 

