"Give Us This Day"

Matthew 5: 1 - 12 February 23, 2011

Section 2: A Nature Of True Righteousness Is Promoted By Formative Discipline, (Chpt. 5 – 7)

- 1. We must be taught the attitude of righteousness, (vs. 1 5)
 - Because righteousness is imputed & not intrinsic, it must be taught systematically, (vs. 1 2); "Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth!" (Psalm 78:1)
 - a. Those who realize their complete need for God have received the fullness of God, (vs. 3); "Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit." (Psalm 32:1–2)
 - b. Those who are broken over all forms of wickedness have received the fullness of God, (vs. 4); "For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. Selah I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. Selah Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him. You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance. Selah " (Psalm 32:3–7)
 - c. Those who are restrained by honor for God have received the fullness of God, (vs. 5); "I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you. Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD. Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!" (Psalm 32:8–11)
- 2. We must be taught the abandonment of righteousness, (vs. 6)
- 3. We must be taught the application of righteousness, (vs. 7 9)
- 4. We must be taught the antithesis of righteousness, (vs. 10 12)

"To Be Or Not" Series Outline

Matthew 3 - 12

"For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 5:20)

The Lord Jesus Himself Has Told Us That True Righteousness Is Not A Ritual But A Nature, (Chpt. 3 – 12)

- Section 1: A Nature Of True Righteousness Has Been Displayed, (Chpt. 3 4)
- Section 2: A Nature Of True Righteousness Is Promoted By Formative Discipline, (Chpt. 5 7)
- Section 3: A Nature Of True Righteousness Must Be Applied, (Chpt. 8 9)
- Section 4: A Nature Of True Righteousness Is Divinely Expected, (Chpt. 10 12)