



## What Are You Going To Do About It?

Series: *The Sermon On The Mount*, #14

Matthew 7:13-27

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Theme: **Jesus' Message Brings Great Responsibilities.**

### **The Responsibility To Enter The Way Of Life.**

1. Option #1: Go with the flow to destruction.  
(13, 26-27; see also John 3:36; Romans 3:12; 2 Thessalonians 1:9; Hebrews 9:27)
2. Option #2: Go with the few to life. (14, 24-25; see also John 14:6; Romans 6:23)

### **The Responsibility To Progress In The Truth.**

1. You need a good diet to grow.  
(15-20; see also John 17:17; 1 Corinthians 12; Ephesians 4)
2. Fact: there are phonies offering bad diets.  
(15; see also Matthew 24:11; Galatians 1:8; 1 John 4:1)
3. You need to know a phony when you see one.  
(15-23; see also John 7:24; 1 Peter 5:2-3; 2 Peter 2:1)

## In My Life This Week

(As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.)

**Monday.** Read through the Sermon on the Mount, Matthew 5:1-7:27. Remember, the message is not just to be admired, but lived by God's grace. Write out your answer to the question "What am I doing about it?" for where you are right now.

**Tuesday.** The first responsibility Jesus presents in Matthew 7:13-27 is found in the opening words of verse 13, "Enter by the narrow gate." Have you really asked Jesus to be your sinner, Lord and friend? It is the only way to get out of *the flow* which leads to eternal separation from God to a full life forever with Him. "What are you going to do about it?"

**Wednesday.** To make progress in your spiritual life you need a good diet of Bible study and teaching, prayer, fellowship and service. Review the character Jesus describes in the Beatitudes and His applications which follow. Evaluate your diet and progress.

**Thursday.** Can you spot a phony—a person or group with the label of Christianity but not the substance? What is the difference between a *denomination*, *cult*, *different theology* and *heresy*? If you took notes on Sunday, review the four practical guidelines for evaluation. While our church as a body can help all of us in this regard, each of us also has our own responsibility.

**Friday – Saturday.** On Sunday we will begin looking at the Old Testament book of Nehemiah. Beyond the history, this book teaches us about leadership, facing tough situations and people, planning, organization, management, and much more. There are 13 chapters in the book. Scan them, or if you choose to take the time, read through them in preparation for our time together on Sunday.