

BUT SEEK FIRST HIS KINGDOM
(The Sermon on the Mount II)

Matthew 6:1-34
Key Verse: 6:33

"But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Read v. 1-8,16-18. What are "acts of righteousness"? What are the three acts of righteousness mentioned by Jesus? Why are they necessary? How should we carry them out? What is a hypocrite?
2. Read v. 9-15. What is the common theme of the first three prayer topics in the Lord's prayer? Of the last three prayer topics? What does this tell us about the Christian life? What does it mean to address God as "Our Father in heaven"?
3. Read v. 9-10. Why should we pray that God's name be hallowed? For his kingdom to come and his will be done on earth? Read v. 11-15. Why should we pray for "our daily bread"? Why is forgiveness so important? Why must we pray for God's leading?
4. Read v. 19-24. Why must we seek and fix our eyes on heavenly treasures instead of on earthly ones? Read v. 25-32. What does Jesus tell us not to worry about? How can we not worry about these things?
5. Read v. 33-34. What is God's precious promise? How does accepting this promise give us victory over our anxiety? What does it mean to let tomorrow worry about itself?