




# July

## DAILY READINGS

Welcome to our July 2021 reading plan! This summer we will be diving into the Sermon on the Mount in our teaching series in Matthew. We will also be supplementing the teachings with readings from both the Old and New Testament that teach the same Kingdom values. Before your reading each day, meditate on Matthew 6:33 , pray for one person to know Christ  and pray for one person to grow in Him .

### Memorization & Meditation:

*“But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.” – Matthew 6:33*

## WEEK 1

### Sunday, June 27th

- [July 1] Matthew 5:43-48 | How does this passage challenge you today? Does anyone come to mind when you read “love your enemies”?
- [2] 1 John 2:7-11 | Why is radical love and forgiveness important to Jesus (and John)? Why is it important that we love and forgive as believers?
- [3] Romans 8:1-4 | We have been radically forgiven in Christ. How has His radical grace transformed your life? Spend some time thanking and praising Him for His goodness!

## WEEK 2

### Sunday, July 4th

- [5] Matthew 5 - 7 (all) | As you read through the sermon this week, does anything stand out to you? Is there anything that you understand better this week than last week?
- [6] Matthew 6:5-7 | Ask yourself: Why and where do you pray? Take some time to pray in secret to the Lord today.
- [7] Matthew 6:9-13 | Reflect on this prayer today. Ask the Lord to make the familiar new.
- [8] Matthew 6:14-15 | Forgiveness brings unity with Christ and people. Who do you need to forgive today?
- [9] Matthew 6:16-18 | The Lord desires a secret intimacy with you and Him alone. Do you recognize the value in this, enough to make time for it every day?
- [10] Matthew 6:9-13 | Read this prayer again today. Read it out loud. What does the Lord place specifically on your heart as you recite this?

## WEEK 3

### Sunday, July 11th

- [12] Matthew 5 - 7 (all) | As you read through the sermon this week, does anything stand out to you? Is there anything that you understand better this week than last week?
- [13] Matthew 6:19-20 | A treasure is something valuable that is cherished and held dear. What are your treasures? Are you able to surrender them to Christ? Meditate on this today.
- [14] Matthew 6:21 | Take a moment today to lay down your treasures of this earth at Jesus’ feet. Ask Him to set your heart free.
- [15] Matthew 6:22-23 | What do you allow yourself to see every day? Reflect and take time for repentance and commitment. Let yourself be filled with the great light of Christ’s redemption!
- [16] Matthew 6:24 | Who do you serve? Are you willing to serve Christ above all others?
- [17] Luke 12:33-34 | Storing your treasures in heaven requires radical faith. What would it look like for you to live with that kind of faith? What changes do you need to make?

## WEEK 4

### Sunday, July 18th

- [19] Matthew 5 - 7 (all) | As you read through the sermon this week, does anything stand out to you? Is there anything that you understand better this week than last week?
- [20] Matthew 6:25-26 | The Lord declares you more valuable than the birds, whom he cares for! Spend some time right now resting in the promise that His provision is good.
- [21] Matthew 6:27 | Has worrying in the past added to your life or improved it? Ask the Lord to take your worries, and help you to rest in his goodness today. He is faithful.
- [22] Isaiah 40:31 | The Lord promises to renew our strength not just sometimes, but daily. Take some time to ask the Lord this week to continuously renew you.
- [23] Matthew 6:28-32 | Think of a time you trusted in the Lord’s provision. How did the Lord provide for you in that instance?
- [24] Psalm 34:4 | What does it look like for you to seek out the Lord? Do you trust Him to deliver you from all your fears? Take some time to invite Him in.

## WEEK 5

### Sunday, July 25th

- [26] Matthew 5 - 7 (all) | As you read through the sermon this week, does anything stand out to you? Is there anything that you understand better this week than last week?
- [27] 2 Timothy 1:7 | As believers, we walk with the Spirit of God dwelling inside of us. Do you see the fruit of this promise in your own life? If yes, where? Thank the Lord for His Spirit of power, love, and self discipline.
- [28] Matthew 6:33 | We’re commanded to seek first the Kingdom of God. What do you think Jesus means by that?
- [29] Isaiah 41:10 | The Lord is always with us. This is a promise that should bring peace to our weary souls. Meditate on this truth today.
- [30] Luke 12:22 | Do you worry about such things? How can you purposefully lay these down?
- [31] Matthew 6:34 | Read Philippians 4:6-7. Give your worries over to God today in prayer. Write them down and throw away the list afterwards. Ask Him to give you His peace, which surpasses all understanding.



**Pray for one person to grow in Christ this week.**




**Pray for one person to know Christ this week.**
