



Sermon Outline
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Many? Few?
Matthew 7:21-27

The _____ to Jesus' masterful, brilliant and authoritative sermon...spins on two words...Many and few!

Matt 7:13-14

¹³ ***Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. ¹⁴ But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.***

In the art of preaching, we note that the introduction of a sermon and the conclusion of a sermon play a pivotal role. The intro is to _____ and invite participation. The conclusion is to drive the truth toward a _____.

Jesus' sermon is magnificent. Not because it fits some modern-day expectation of delivery...but because it exposes the _____.

Do you think on the day of judgement...there will be _____?

The narrow gate is hard to find and hard to go through, because it demands denial of self, denial of self-righteousness, recognition of sin, _____

_____, submission to Christ, commitment to obey Him and follow Him no matter what the cost. That's why the road is narrow with few who enter.

Why would the road be so crowded with people who think they are headed to Heaven but instead are on the broad road to Hell?

1. Perhaps we suffer from a _____ of the gospel.
2. Sense of _____ is generated by "feel good God" ideas.
3. A _____.

2 Cor. 13:5

⁵ ***Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Christ Jesus is in you—unless, of course, you fail the test?***

Let's get very practical...who are the people surprised?

- _____?
- _____ of the heart?
- _____ in our luxuries?

Pay attention to the contrasting principles for the wise and foolish builder:

7:24

Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.

7:26

²⁶ ***But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand.***

No one likes surprises! Not Jesus...Not you!