

## Similarities with the Sermon on the Mount

### Lesson

- when your life is full of difficulties and persecutions, be glad; a reward awaits you
- you are to be perfect, mature and complete, not lacking anything
- ask God and he will answer
- those who are humble, who don't amount to much by the world's standards, should be glad
- watch out for your anger... it can be dangerous
- be merciful to others, as God is merciful to you
- your faith must prove itself by helping others
- healthy fruit (water) from healthy trees (springs)
- blessed are those who strive for peace; peacemakers plant seeds of peace and reap a harvest of righteousness
- you cannot serve God and money, pleasures or evil; friendship with evil makes you an enemy of God
- when we humble ourselves and realize our need for God, he will come to us and encourage us
- don't criticize or speak evil of others; it works against God's command to love one another
- treasures on earth will only erode and disappear – we must store up eternal treasures in heaven
- be patient in suffering, as God's prophets were patient
- be honest in your speech so you can say a simple 'yes' or 'no' and always be trusted



### Reference

- James 1:2 = Matt.5:10-12
- Js.1:4 = Matt.5:48
- Js.1:5, 5:15 = Matt.7:7-12
- Js.1:9 = Matt.5:3
- Js.1:20 = Matt.5:22
- Js.2:13 = Matt.5:7, 6:14
- Js.2:14-16 = Matt.7:21-23
- Js.3:11-12 = Matt.7:16-18
- Js.3:17-18 = Matt.5:9
- Js.4:4 = Matt.6:24
- Js.4:10 = Matt.5:3-4
- Js.4:11 = Matt.7:1-2
- Js.5:2 = Matt.6:19
- Js.5:10 = Matt.5:12
- Js.5:12 = Matt.5:33-37