

TELL ME THE STORY OF JESUS

Hymn 156, "Tell Me The Story of Jesus" (Hymns For Worship)

I. Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, Luke 2:1-14.
Hymn 180, "Wonderful Story of Love"

II. Jesus grew up in Nazareth of Galilee. When he was about 30 years old, He journeyed to the Jordan River to be baptized by John. Immediately after His baptism He was led into the wilderness to be tempted by Satan, Luke 4:1-13.

Hymn 442, "Yield Not to Temptation"

III. One day as Jesus walked along the Sea of Galilee, He began to call disciples to follow after Him, Mark 1:16-20.

HYMN 239, "Footprints of Jesus"

IV. Jesus appointed Andrew, Peter, James and John, and eight other men as apostles, and for three and a half years He was with them day and night, teaching them so they could carry on His work after He had left the earth. Small portions of many of Jesus' speeches are recorded in the books of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, but the fullest account of His teachings in His "sermon on the mount" recorded in Matthew, chapters 5-7.

1. First Jesus told of the blessedness of those who choose to take part in the kingdom of heaven, Matt. 5:3-12.

Hymn 433, "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

2. Next, He spoke to His hearers of the importance of setting right examples, Matt. 5:13-16.

Hymn 453, "Ye Are the Light of the World"

3. Thirdly, Jesus explained how He came, not to simply do away with the Old Testament, but to fully accomplish all its purposes, Matt. 5:17-18.

Then, throughout the remainder of chapter 5, He shows

that the fulfillment of the Mosaical system does not reduce our responsibility to God, but rather increases it, Matt. 5:21-22, 27-28.

Hymn 416, "Do All in the Name of the Lord"

4. In the first 18 verses of chapter 6, He warns against hypocrisy, Matt. 6:1-8, 16-18.

Hymn 128, "Take My Life And Let It Be"

5. Then in the remainder of chapter 6, He warns against over emphasizing material things, Matt. 6:19-20, 31-33.

Hymn 332, "I Surrender All"

6. Chapter 7 opens with a warning against harsh judgments and fault finding, Matt. 7:1-4.

Hymn 394, "Love One Another" ["Angry Words"]

7. In verses 7-12, He speaks of the effectiveness of prayer, Matt. 7:7-8.

Hymn 62, "Ere You Left Your Room This Morning"

8. In verses 11-23, He warns against false pathways and false prophets--and says we may recognize them by their fruits, Matt. 7:15-16.

Hymn 335, "Live For Jesus"

9. He sums up His sermon with an admonition to hear and do what He has taught, Matt. 7:24-27.

Hymn 326, "Trust And Obey"

- V. After spending about three and a half years teaching these truths and admonishing His hearers to "repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand," Jesus knew that the time had come to lay down His life as a ransom for sin. Before His crucifixion, He

spent an agonizing night in the garden of Gethsemane, Matt. 26:36-39.

Hymn 183, “’Tis Midnight And On Olive’s Brow”

VI. Later that night, Jesus was arrested, and the next day He was led to Calvary and crucified, John 19:1-6.

Hymn 536, “The Old Rugged Cross”

VII. If Jesus had not been the Son of God, His story would have ended there--but Christ’s crucifixion was really only the beginning, Mark 16:1-6.

Hymn, 174, “Christ Arose”

VIII. About 40 days after His resurrection His disciples watched as He ascended to heaven to become King of kings and Lord of lords. A heavenly messenger assured them that in due time, “this same Jesus” will come again, Acts 1:9-11.

Hymn 160, “One Day”

IX. The Bible teaches that when Jesus comes, there will be a great judgment, Matt. 25:31-33, 46.

Hymn 283, “There’s a Great Day Coming”

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