

# The Invitation

Matthew 7:13-14

(series #42)

**Introduction:** the theme of the Sermon on the Mount

- Matthew 5:20 - an exceeding righteousness

- Matthew 5:3 - an awareness of unworthiness

- Matthew 5:48 - a humanly unattainable standard

## I. The Contrast of the Two Gates vv. 13-14

A. Narrow is the gate to life

B. Wide is the gate to eternal destruction

- Matthew 7:22-23

## II. The Command to Enter the Narrow Gate v. 13

A. John 10:9

B. John 14:6

C. Acts 4:12

D. 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy 2:5

## III. The Description of the Narrow Road v. 14

A. It is exclusive

B. It is difficult

1. Because of self-righteousness & religion

2. Because of love for self and sin

**Conclusion:** Which road are you on?