

The best sermon ever

Intro

Remember the vision for Hinkler?

How are you going with your five people

The sermon today reinforces worship and service

Prayer

Have you ever had your world turned upside down by an idea?

Anaximander in the 6th century BC intriduced geocentric its to Greek thought

Plato and Aristotle picked up on the idea

By the second century ad Claudius ptolemaeus standardised this model with his theory known as the Ptolemaic system

It wasn't a perfect theory, Claudius had to add several modifications and clauses to make his model accurate, but in the end it became the accepted model for over 1000 years because it WORKED

Successfully predicting orbits, retrograde motion of stars and planets etc

The only problem was, he was wrong.

In the 16th century Copernicus proved the earth was orbiting the sun, known as the heliocentric model

Which we now know to be true today

Jesus has a teaching pattern of "you have heard, but I say" 6 times in the passage

He is combating the popular theology of his day

How heaven sees you- Matt 5:3-12

How you relate to the world vs. 13-16

How you relate to my law

Christ is the fulfilment

Spirit, not the letter

Serve all because you love all

How to connect with God

Prayer

Fasting

How to spend your resources

Your resources go where your heart is

Develop spiritual eyesight

Do not have a divided heart (commitment)

How to manage stress (internal and external)

Don't sweat the temporal stuff

Worry is a mild form of atheism

It's not your responsibility to judge others, let God do that

Scotts response to Matt re: smoking

Golden rule

Note: this is not easy! (Narrow way)

The results speak for themselves

We can observe fruit in others and ourselves

If there is no fruit, there is no real connection with Christ the source of life

Conclusion

You can agree but if you don't apply it, the benefit isn't there

We are not the centre of the universe, the SON of righteousness is.

Appeal

Hymns

499 what a friend we have in jesus

286 wonderful words of life

327 I'd rather have Jesus