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## A STUDY OF THE BOOK OF MATTHEW

### Go Deeper Study Guide

#### **SHEEPS & GOATS: 3M** | Matthew 25:1-46

Pastor Bob DuPar • March 13 - March 19, 2022

#### Getting Started

What did you find most helpful from this week's sermon? Was anything confusing? Is there anything that needs clarification? Discuss as a group. If you haven't heard the sermon yet, you can access it at: [www.cbcventura.org](http://www.cbcventura.org)

#### Going Deeper

Re-read **Matthew 25:31-46**. Try comparing two different translations. Take some time as a group discussing your observations.

Why is our passage not a **parable**? What makes it distinct?

What does our passage teach us about **ministry**? What are the things that Jesus praises the sheep for doing (and condemns the goats for not doing)? Do you find anything interesting about what He lists?

Who are Jesus' "**brothers**" in **verse 40** according to Matthew? Read **Matthew 12:48-50; 18:6 & 28:10**.

What prevents you from ministry? Time? Money? Your schedule? Family?

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What does our passage teach us about **motives**? What similarity do you see between the sheep & the goats? What differences do you find?

Compare what Jesus says back in **Matthew 10:40-42** with our passage today. Is it possible to do the right thing for the wrong reason? Explain

How is it possible that even Hell reveals the **mercy** of God? What does our passage teach us about Hell? How does this fit with other verses in Scripture? (**John 3:17** ; **2 Peter 3:9**)

Finish by discussing the following sermon quotes :

"It's not a question of God "**sending us**" to hell. In each of us there is something growing, which will BE Hell unless it is nipped in the bud."  
C. S. Lewis

"Hell, then, is the trajectory of a soul, living a self-absorbed, self-centered life, going on and on forever!" Timothy Keller, The Reason For God.

#### Application

What's 1 action step you can take this week to apply what you've learned from our lesson today?

#### Prayer

How can your group pray for you?





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Song List

- River of Life
- Battle Belongs
- Reckless Love
- Closer
- Called Me Higher



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### Financial Update thru March 6, 2022

Contributions	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses
\$81,913.28	\$106,730.77	\$99,984.96
Offering for 3/6/22	Weekly Needs	
\$10,214.00	\$10,673.08	

### Fund Balances thru January 31, 2022

General	Benevolence	Building
\$172,507.00	\$1,086.00	\$29,883.00

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## Initial Insights

### 3 Observations...

- MINISTRY
- MOTIVES
- MERCY

## Closing Comments

