



### Day Three

Listen to the episode. Read the following questions, and write your answers in the box provided.

**Their destinies – if we can call them that - are determined by the mystical combination of their choices and God's work within them.** Are you ever tempted to take the easy path and tell yourself that since God is in control, you're not really responsible for your choices? Write some thoughts below.

**Reflection: Some within Israel taught that the temple, God's house, was built upon a rock and could resist the storms that broke upon the nation.** What are you tempted to build your life upon that stands in opposition to God? Write some thoughts above. Try to be as honest as you can with yourself. Eg. If your life is dominated by concerns and even interests that are choking out God, then write them down as a first step toward repentance. Prayer.

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**But we need to be clear about this. To follow his teaching is about *actually doing* what he's taught them.** In what way do you dodge the issue by talking about your love for God and your faith, while not actually doing any of the things called for by Jesus in the sermon? Write some thoughts below.

**Reflection: Spotting his followers is easy. They're the ones doing what he's taught.** Think over your life. Is it easy to spot that you're a follower of Christ? Choose a particular area of your life that you're struggling with and offer it to God. Ask him to help you obey, where currently you know you're not obeying. Trust that he really can help you obey. Prayer.



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### Day Five

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**While amazement is good, it isn't commitment.** How often are you impressed by Jesus and his words, but you don't obey? How has the sermon changed your view of obedience and your belief about the possibility of actually being able to obey? Write some thoughts below.

**Reflection: He's calling them to base their lives upon his teaching.** Spend some time reflecting on what you have learnt in the Sermon on the Mount. What specifically has God taught you? You need to be specific, in order to make the changes that he's calling for. The sermon calls for righteousness, and Jesus offers us the possibility of living righteous lives in relationship with him. Bring him worship for what he's taught you and ask him for the strength to follow him along the narrow path. Prayer.

**Recommended:** Read the entire sermon through again. All the way through. If you have listened to the whole **deovox** series, ask yourself what new insights you now have that are helping you follow Christ more faithfully. Write them down.