



OPTIONAL ACTIVITY

Session 4: Mount of Beatitudes

Comparing Two Accounts of Jesus

Compare Matthew's version of the Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12 NIV) with yet another sermon account in Luke 6:20-26 (NIV). Have participants read both, and then discuss.

- The sermon from the Luke passage is known as the Sermon on the Plain. It is very similar to the Beatitudes, and the content was important enough for Jesus to repeat to his different audiences—and he knew the needs of his audiences.
- How do you feel when you read these accounts?
- Consider the makeup of the audiences on the Mount of Beatitudes and on the Plain. How might they have been similar? How might they have been different?