

THE  
UPSIDE DOWN  
KINGDOM

THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

APRIL 26 – JULY 5

# Change from the Inside Out

Matthew 5:17-32

17 “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. 18 For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished.

19 Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. 20 For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

21 “You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.’ 22 But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, ‘You fool!’ will be liable to the hell of fire. 23 So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you,

24 leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. 25 Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. 26 Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

27 “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ 28 But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. 29 If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body be thrown into hell. 30 And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body go into hell.

31 “It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ 32 But I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of sexual immorality, makes her commit adultery, and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

Matthew 5:17-32 (ESV)

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- 3) Jesus fulfills Old Testament prophecies.

“The Old Testament is the gospel bud; the New Testament is the gospel in full flower.”

-JC Ryle

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Do Christians need to follow all the rules of the  
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Jesus raises the standard of righteousness to the heart level.

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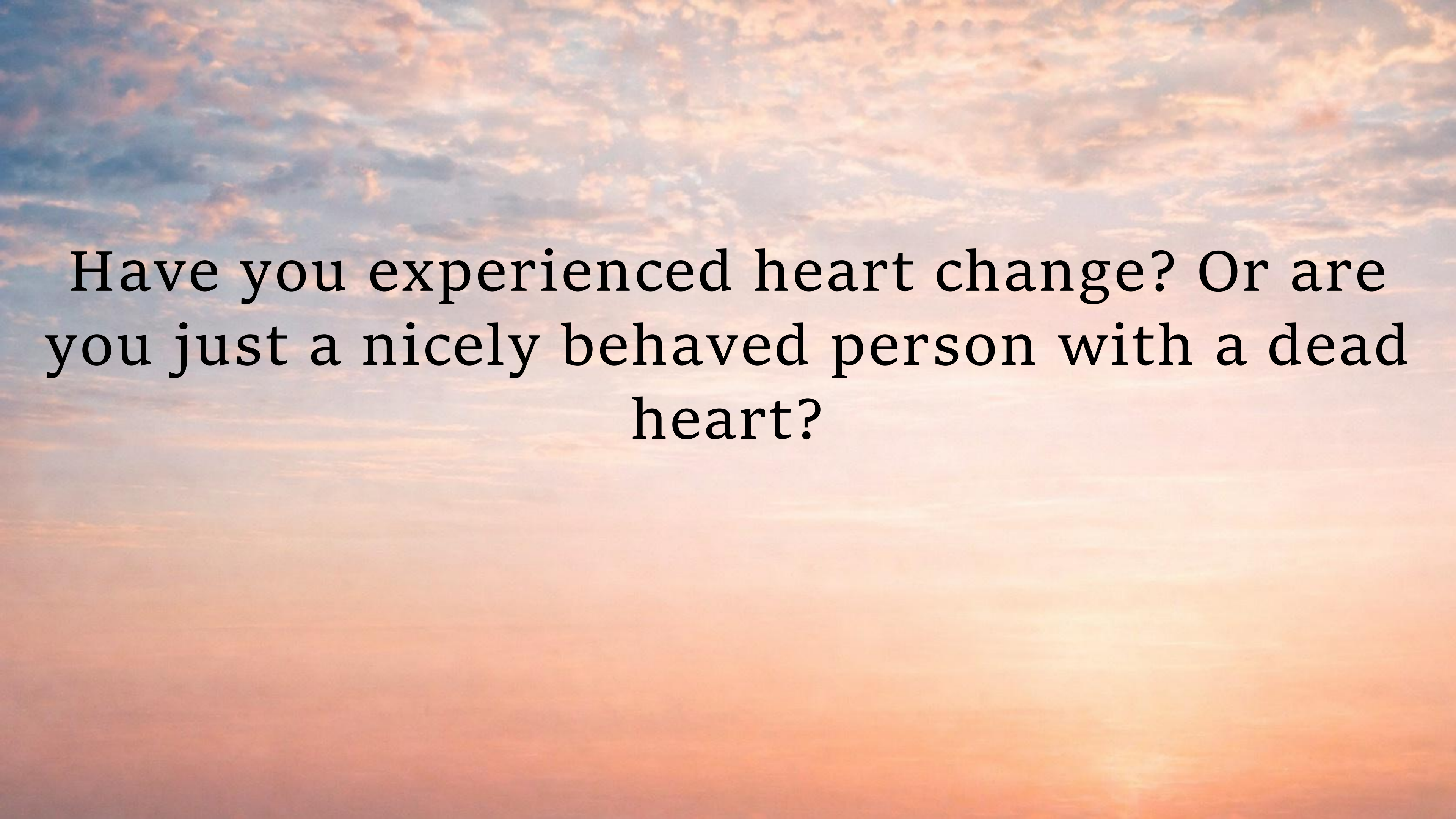
A background image of a sunset sky. The sky is filled with soft, wispy clouds in shades of orange, yellow, and light blue. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright glow that fades into a darker blue at the top of the frame.

You are not good enough for God.



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It's a good thing God sent Jesus for us!



Have you experienced heart change? Or are  
you just a nicely behaved person with a dead  
heart?