

**"Rise & Walk"**

**Matthew 8: 5 - 13**

**November 9, 2011**

**The Lord Jesus Himself Has Told Us That True Righteousness Is Not A Ritual But A Nature, (Chpt. 3 - 12);**  
*"For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 5:20)*

• Section 3: A Nature Of True Righteousness Must Be Applied, (Chpt. 8 - 9)

2. Righteousness applied acknowledges God's authority over all things, (vs. 5 - 13)

A. Righteousness applied acknowledges God's authority to provide what is needed, (vs. 5 - 7)

- True righteousness understands God's provision is granted at God's good pleasure, (vs. 5); *"Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— "remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. "But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ."(Ephesians 2:11-13 ESV)*

- True righteousness sees God's provision as being others focused, (vs. 6 - 7); *"So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, "complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. "Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves."(Philippians 2:1-3 ESV)*

B. Righteousness applied acknowledges God's authority to command what occurs, (vs. 8 - 9)

C. Righteousness applied acknowledges God's authority to grant recompense, (vs. 10 - 13)

3. Righteousness applied trusts in the true healing only God can bring, (vs. 14 - 17)
4. Righteousness applied accepts the cost of discipleship, (vs. 18 - 22)
5. Righteousness applied demonstrates faith in the worst of circumstances, (vs. 23 - 27)
6. Righteousness applied exercises dominion over the demonic realm, (vs. 28 - 34)
7. Righteousness applied is the authority by which sins are forgiven, (vs. 9: 1 - 8)
8. Righteousness applied is the greatest need of the sick not the self righteous, (vs. 9 - 13)
9. Righteousness applied challenges the established view of piety, (vs. 14 - 17)
10. Righteousness applied confronts the weakness of fraudulent faith, (vs. 18 - 26)
11. Righteousness applied brings the fullest measure of enlightenment, (vs. 27 - 31)
12. Righteousness applied frees the bondage of the oppressed, (vs. 32 - 34)
13. Righteousness applied is compassionate toward those who are lost, (vs. 35 - 38)

### **“To Be Or Not” Series Outline**

#### **Matthew 3 - 12**

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- Section 1: A Nature Of True Righteousness Has Been Displayed, (Chpt. 3 - 4)
- Section 2: A Nature Of True Righteousness Is Promoted By Formative Discipline, (Chpt. 5 - 7)
- Section 3: A Nature Of True Righteousness Must Be Applied, (Chpt. 8 - 9)
- Section 4: A Nature Of True Righteousness Is Divinely Expected, (Chpt. 10 - 12)