

MESSAGE NOTES

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MESSAGE SERIES: JESUS SAID WORDS IN RED WEEK THREE: "PIGS AND PEARLS"

THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

- Matthew 5-7
- Paints a coherent picture of the _____ life
- Describes how God's people are to _____ and _____ one another
- For those who are _____ to being Jesus' disciple

MATTHEW 7:6

"Don't waste what is holy on people who are unholy. **Don't throw your pearls to pigs!** They will trample the pearls, then turn and attack you.", NLT

"PEARLS" = the _____

- God's rescue plan for humanity
- Through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, everyone is offered forgiveness of sins and reconciliation with God, not by their own efforts, but purely as a free gift of grace

"PIGS" = people who are _____ to the Gospel

- Some don't think the Gospel is very _____
- Some don't think the Gospel is _____
- Some are _____ at God
- Some are _____ with God
- Some have been _____ by Christians behaving badly

JESUS' POINT - There is no _____ or _____ in trying to force the Gospel on someone

- "Don't bother correcting mockers; they will only hate you. But correct the wise, and they will love you." PROV 9:8
- "Don't waste your breath on fools, for they will despise the wisest advice." PROV 23:9
- "Don't answer the foolish arguments of fools, or you will become as foolish as they are." PROV 26:4
- "If any household or town refuses to welcome you or listen to your message, shake its dust from your feet as you leave." MATT 10:14

WE ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR _____ SOMEONE RESPONDS TO THE GOSPEL

- We cannot force them to _____ it
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- We are simply _____ to, "**speak the truth in love**" (EPH 4:15)

HOW DO WE SHARE THE GOSPEL?

1. We _____ relationships with people far from God
2. We _____ their stories
3. We _____ the next steps
 - _____ the Gospel is unwise and ultimately counterproductive
 - _____ can be benign or hostile
 - _____ with grace, mercy, and love
 - _____ on being a vessel for the Gospel
 - _____ space for God to work