

**"Rise & Walk"**

**Matthew 8: 18 - 22**

**March 14, 2012**

**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, (Chapters. 8 - 9)

4. Righteousness applied accepts the cost of discipleship, (vs. 18 - 22); *"Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life. Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. (John 5: 24 - 25, ESV)*

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)

2. God's people are set apart because God is faithful to His promise to redeem us, (vs. 8)
3. God's people are set apart as an example of what a covenantal love relationship is, (vs. 9)
4. God's people are set apart as a warning to those who hate God, (vs. 10)
5. God's people are set apart as the model of what true obedience really is, (vs. 11)