

Compare and contrast points of similarities and variations between Matthew's Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7) and Luke's Sermon on the Plain (Luke 6:17-49).

similarities in bold fonts.

S/N	MATTHEW 5-7	LUKE 6:17-49
1	The 3 preceding verses in Matthew 4:23-25, surest that Jesus had healed great numbers of very ill persons (severe pain, demon possessed, seizures, paralytics) that were brought to him.	The five verses presiding verse 17 in Luke 6 (12-16) speak about Jesus's all night mountain side prayer, that was followed by choosing of the twelve,
2	4:25 suggests that large crowds from Galilee, Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea and the region across the Jordan followed him. Verse 1 suggests that Jesus went to up on a mountainside from where he taught	Verse 17-18 suggest that Jesus went down with the twelve to a larger crowd of people (disciples) and a great number from all over Judea, Jerusalem and Tyre and Sidon seeking to hear his teaching and to be healed of their diseases.
3	Verse 1 suggests that Jesus went to up on a mountainside from where he taught the crowd from with only 4 (Peter, Andrew, James and John by his side.)	Luke in 6:17 suggests Jesus spoke from the plain (a level place) not a mountainside.
4	<b>The large (mixed) crowds were referred to as his disciples.</b>	<b>The large (mixed) crowds were referred to as his disciples.</b>

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5	The large crowds were referred to as his disciples.	The large crowds had come to hear him and be healed of their diseases.
6	There was no record of this incident.	v. 19 says that the people all tried to touch him because power was coming from him and healing them all
7	<b>5:1 suggest that he was teaching a large crowd of his disciples</b>	<b>v. 17 &amp; 20 suggest that he was teaching a large crowd of his disciples</b>
8	Beatitude number one says , “Blessed are the poor in spirit”	Beatitude number one says , “Blessed are you who are poor” .....,
9	<b>For theirs is the kingdom of God</b>	<b>For yours is the kingdom of God</b>
10	Evangelist Matthew pens down 9 beatitudes -poor in spirit, mourn, meek, hunger & thirst, mercifully, pure in heart, peace makers, persecuted for righteousness, revile & falsely accuse...	Evangelist Luke pens down only 4 beatitudes -poor, hunger now, weep now, when people hate you. So Luke’s account is shorter than Matthew’s.
11	Matthew 5-7 does not have the woes narratives.	In v 24-26 Luke writes about Jesus pronouncing 3 woes-rich, well fed now, when everyone speaks well of you...
12	After the beatitudes, Matthew in chapter 5 captures other topics including salt & light, law and the prophets, anger, murder & reconciliation, adultery & lust, divorce & unchastity, oaths and swearing, retaliation & non-retaliation.	Luke 6:17-49 is silent on these Matthew topics.
13	“Kingdom of heaven” is Matthew’s preferred use, Matthew 4:17; 10:6.	“kingdom of God” the preference of other New Testament writers Luke 9:2)
14	<b>Matthew 5:43 Captures Love for enemies</b>	<b>Luke writes on “Love for Enemies” in verse 43-48</b>
15	Matthew 5:13-42, Jesus preached a whole sermon on “Salt and Light,” “The Fulfillment of the Law,” “Murder,” “Adultery,” “Divorce,” “Oaths,” and “Eye for Eye.”	These were omitted in Luke’s gospel.