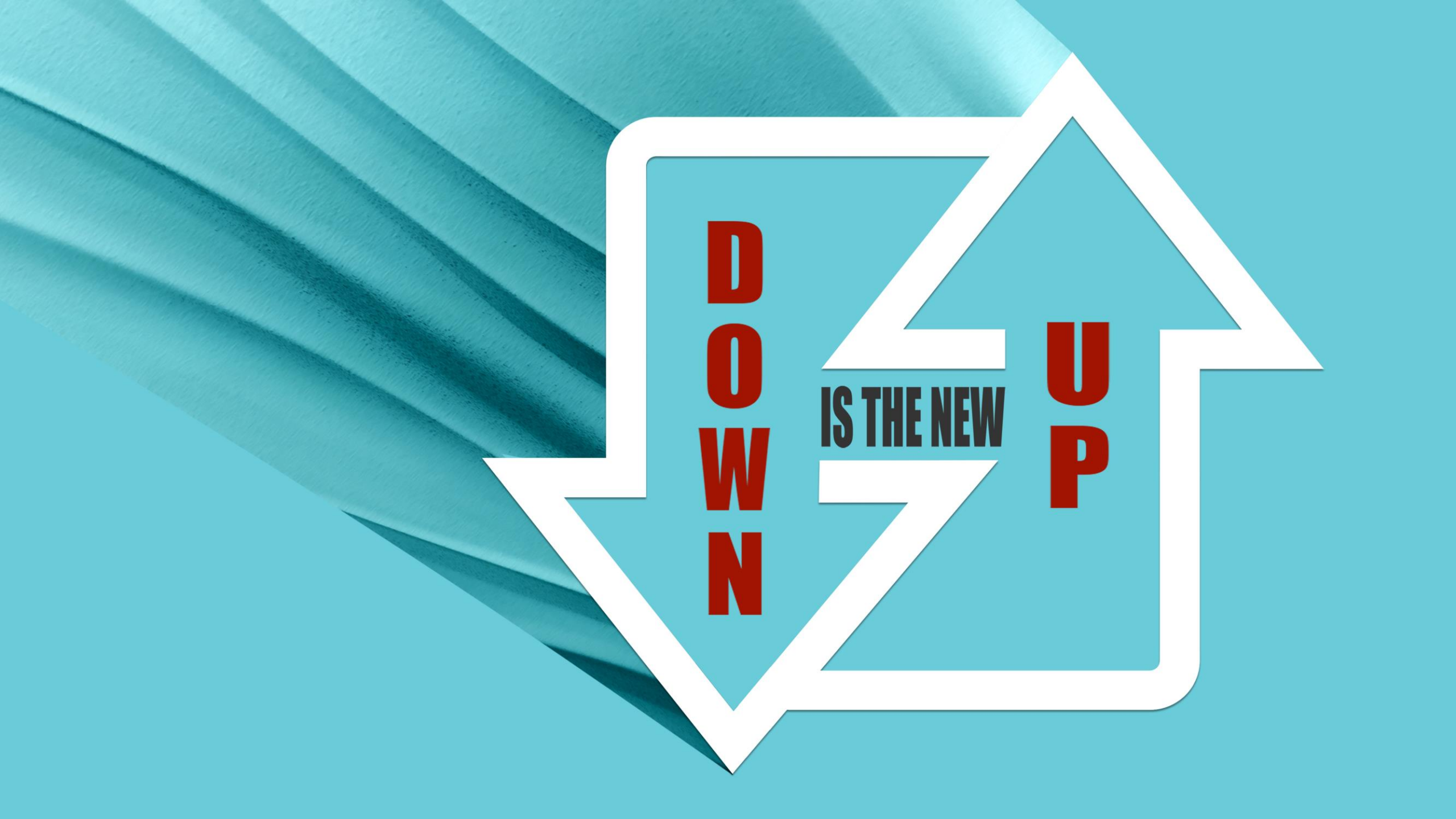


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MATTHEW 5:1-2

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- ¹ Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.
 - ² And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:


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MATTHEW 5:3-5

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- 3 “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
 - 4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
 - 5 Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.


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MATTHEW 5:6-8

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- ⁶ Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
- ⁷ **Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.**
- ⁸ Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

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MATTHEW 5:9-12

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- ⁹ Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.
- ¹⁰ Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- ¹¹ Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.
- ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

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EZEKIEL 36:26

“And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.”

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JAMES 3:17

But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere.

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EPHESIANS 4:31-32

³¹ Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice.

³² Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

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MATTHEW 18:21-35

²¹ Then Peter came up and said to him, “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” ²² Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times. ²³ “Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴ When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵ And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made.



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²⁶ So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸ But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰ He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt.



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³¹ When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³² Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴ And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵ So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

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LUKE 10:30-35

“A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he **saw** him, he **had compassion**. ³⁴ He **went** to him and **bound up** his wounds, **pouring on** oil and wine. Then he **set** him on his own animal and **brought** him to an inn and **took care** of him. ³⁵ And the next day he **took out** two denarii and **gave** them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘**Take care** of him, and whatever more you spend, I will **repay** you when I **come back**.’

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ISAIAH 53:4

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows...

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ROMANS 12:4-8

⁴ For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. ⁶ Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; ⁷ if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸ the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

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MATTHEW 7:2

**“For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged,
and with the measure you use it will be measured to you.”**

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JAMES 2:13

**For judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy.
Mercy triumphs over judgment.**

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