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Sermon on the Mount  
Matthew 5 through 7  
4/11/21  
Elder Walt Cercavschi**

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**Proverbs 4:23:** Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.

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How long was it:

Audience:

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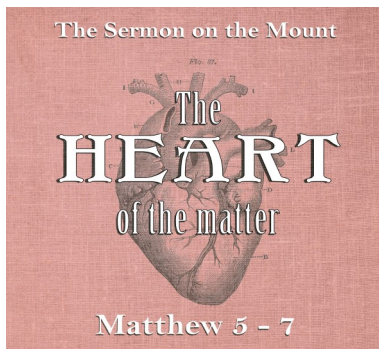
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