

Ministering to a Great Multitude (vv 23-25)
summary of Jesus' early ministry, before opposition
fully developed
teaching in synagogues:
proclaiming good news re/ kingdom
healing
drawing large crowds from considerable distances

The Sermon on Mount (Matt 5-7)

Structure:

1.
Introduction (5:1-16)
Teaching about the Law (5:17-48)
(True and False Interpretation)
Rewards (6:1-21)
(True and False Outworking)
Security (6:22-34)
(True and False Security)
True and False Judgement (7:1-23)
Conclusion (7:24-29)
(True and False Reaction)

Some Details:

crowds amazed at authority of his teaching in
contrast to scribes (7:28-29); so perhaps not to
be understood merely as repetition of OT law

Introduction (5:1-16)

Blessings (5:3-12)
true blessedness is not now, but then; it is
not having, but being; it is even a certain
wretchedness because sin is still given
(rather) free rein

Salt and Light (5:13-16)
small things which produce large effects;
salt: taste, preservation, sting?
light: visibility (but see 6:1-21),
illumination

Teaching about the Law (5:17-48)
Jesus not to destroy but fulfill
Not a letter to disappear until all happens
Don't you abolish
Righteousness must exceed scr & Pharisees'

Anger (5:21-26)
included under category "murder"