

The dissertation deals with the understanding of Christ's Sermon on the Mount or the Sermon on the Plain by the Church Fathers, especially the understanding of Augustine, who was the only one to write a separate treatise on the Sermon on the Mount, *De sermone domini in monte*. This paper compares the different views of the Church Fathers on this pivotal Gospel passage in their commentaries. It seeks to locate and elaborate, by means of a thematic analysis, the main themes that the various Church Fathers find in it and what emphases they see in it and how they elaborate them. The dissertation has three parts. The first discusses the commentaries of the Church Fathers only on parts of the Sermon on the Mount such as the Our Father and the Beatitudes. In the second, I discuss the Church Fathers' comprehensive commentaries on the entire Gospel, respectively the parts of the Gospel devoted to the Sermon on the Mount or the Sermon on the Plain. In the third, I come to Augustine's *De sermone domini in monte*. The aim of the research is to go deeper into the understanding of the Sermon on the Mount respectively the Sermon on the Plain on the basis of the earliest interpretations that reflect the earliest exegetical tradition.