



Home Teams

DISCUSSION GUIDE

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Unreligious: Week 1

Being Unreligious

BIG IDEA: Being or doing? Religious people “do” and Jesus followers focus on “be.”

TEACHING POINTS:

- Being unreligious like Jesus leads to an unexpected relationship.
- God blesses people who leave religion behind.
- God did not create the problem but He gives us the solution.

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 5:1-12



OPENING QUESTIONS

1. What do you think when you hear someone say, “That person is religious”?
2. Besides being at Pathway, what was the best part of Super Bowl Sunday?

IN THE WORD

1. Read [Matthew 5:3-10 NLT](#).
 - Explain how each verse might upset the religious people of Jesus’ day but give hope to most of the crowd.
 - Which verse gives you the most encouragement or hope?
 - Summarize the passage in one sentence for a person not of the Christian faith.
2. Explain why is it important to understand that [Matthew 5:3-12 NLT](#) is not about Jesus teaching religion, but relationship.
3. Where in our lives is it most important to apply the principle of [1 Corinthians 5:12-13a](#)?

MAKING IT PERSONAL

1. Name some ways you can break the stereotype of what it means to be religious as a Christian.
2. Share about a time when you needed the hope that Jesus speaks about in the Beatitudes.
3. Who could you share with regarding the perspective you have gained about being unreligious from this study?

CONTINUED LEARNING

[Luke 6:20-26](#) also lists the Beatitudes. Consider the negative warnings listed in the second half of this passage. What does that change about how we deal with people?

- **I WILL:**
I will obey something from God's word in the next 24-48 hours.
- **I'LL SHARE:**
I will share, with either a believer or non-believer, what God is teaching me and what I'm learning.

Notes & Prayers



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