



## Message Discussion Questions April 14th, 2024

**SERIES:** Sermon on the Mount

**WEEK:** #2

**MESSAGE:** The Beatitudes

**COMMUNICATOR:** Pastor Steve Borchert

**MAIN TEXT(S):** Matthew 5:1-11

**SCRIPTURES REFERENCED:** Psalm 34:18, Isaiah 61:2-3, Psalm 37:11, Psalm 42:1-2, Micah 6:8, Psalm 24:4-5, Isaiah 52:7

### QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

1. How often do you read God's word?
2. What steps can you take more of a study and analytical approach to God's word?
3. Is Jesus your Lord and Savior?
4. If yes. Which role do your prayers and actions assign the most?  
Is he Lord, leading you as you walk with him?  
Is he Savior, forgiving perpetual sin and bailing you out of messes?

### TAKE ACTION:

Find at least ONE way to take action in response to the message. Use one or more of the following or find your own way to take action.

1. Suppose you don't know Jesus as your Lord and Savior. Now is as good a time as any. A simple, honest prayer does the job. Confess to him you are a sinner in need of salvation, being willing to submit to his teaching and directions, ask him for forgiveness, and ask him to be Lord of your life.
2. For those walking with the Lord. Consider these eight principals for life adapted from the beatitudes by Pastor Johnny Bakker.



Realize I'm not God; I admit that I am powerless to control my tendency to do the wrong thing and that my life is unmanageable. Matthew 5:3

Earnestly believe that God exists, that I matter to Him and that He has the power to help me recover. Matthew 5:4

Consciously choose to commit all my life and will to Christ's care and control. Matthew 5:5a

Openly examine and confess my faults to myself, to God, and to someone I trust. Matthew 5:8a

Voluntarily submit to any and all changes God wants to make in my life and humbly ask Him to remove my character defects. Matthew 5:6a

Evaluate all my relationships. Offer forgiveness to those who have hurt me and make amends for harm I've done to others when possible, except when to do so would harm them or others. Matthew 5:7, Matthew 5:9 TEV

Reserve a daily time with God for self-examination, Bible reading, and prayer in order to know God and His will for my life and to gain the power to follow His will.

Yield myself to God to be used to bring this Good News to others, both by my example and my words. Matthew