

SERMON STUDY GUIDE

"Matthew 5:1-6" on April 19th

DISCOVER: MATTHEW 21:1-17

- What did the passage say or did you take away from the sermon this week?
- How does this passage/did this sermon point us to Jesus or teach us about Jesus? What did the passage say or did you take away from the sermon this week?
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CONSTITUTION OF THE KINGDOM

Matthew 5:3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

- How does this beatitude encourage you?
- · How could you use this passage to share Jesus with one who is feeling spiritually bankrupt?
- What joy fuels your day every morning?

BLESSED ARE THE POOR IN SPIRIT

Matthew 5:4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." Jason said, "The more aware I am of my need for Him, the more I am comforted by His grace."

- How do you respond to that? Can you identify with Jason's statement, or are there barriers obstructing you?
- · Where is one place in your life where you need help or comfort from God?

BLESSED ARE THE MEEK

Matthew 5:5 "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth." Jason described meekness as 'bridled power' for the sake of the greater good or the team.

- What does meekness look like in your walk with Christ?
- What stands in the way of your allowing God to be in control of the power (gifts) He's given you rather than using them for personal gain?

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO HUNGER AND THIRST FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS

Matthew 5:6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied."

- Does what you "hunger and thirst" for lead you to invest more time in the Scriptures, or do worldly things distract you?
- Do you find times when, like the Sadducees, you prefer to believe just bits and pieces of scriptures? What truths are difficult for you to believe and respond to?
- · How could others pray for you in in your "hunger and thirst for righteousness"?

RESPOND

Who is someone you can have a conversation with about what Jesus is doing in your life or invite to join you as you watch CU Church online next week?

PRAY

Praying for each other and spend time praising God. Pray that he will show you how to better love God and love people. Keep Reading: Luke 15 – The parable of the lost son. Read about the upside down ways of God's Kingdom.