



Life Group Questions

What If Jesus Was Serious?

Week 2 | Matthew 5:1-12 | Jan 14, 2024

ICEBREAKER: What are some ways people typically try to find happiness or fulfillment in life? What are some of the most unique (or expensive) examples of how people have done this?

1. What stood out from Sunday's message? (Including the post message sharing) What encouraged, challenged, or intrigued you?

Read Matthew 5:1-12 together

2. What does it mean to be meek? (v5) What does it mean to 'inherit the earth'?
3. What does the future hold for those who are persecuted because of righteousness? (v10)
4. What unexpected command is given to Christians who are insulted, hassled, and lied about? (v11-12)
5. What people in history have endured nasty persecution?
6. How would a person behave if he or she were hungering and thirsting after righteousness? (v6)
7. Which of these promises from the Beatitudes means the most to you? Why?
8. What is the most common type of persecution that you face?
9. What peacemaking responses work well at diffusing hostility?
10. What can you do this week to encourage a friend who is under fire due to his or her stand for the Lord?
11. If followers of Jesus were to take one or more of these verses seriously, what are some potential decisions or action steps they might take?
12. How can we pray for one another? What action step does each of us need to take this week?