

The Beatitudes "Those who Mourn"

Sermon Notes

Big Idea: Jesus' first sermon was designed to help his followers redefine what a relationship with God was designed to be like. The blessed life is both available and accessible, but requires a certain heart posture that includes mourning our sin - *aka* brokenness.

The Christian life is not primarily about what you're doing, but who you're becoming.

Matthew 5:1-4 (NIV)

Step One: Humility

Step Two: Brokenness

Luke 15:17-20; 28-30 (NLT)

Brokenness leads to forgiveness, healing, restoration, and new life.

1 Corinthians 7:6-10 (NLT)

Psalm 32:1-6 (NLT)

Matthew 9:9-13 (NIV)

Joel 2:12-13 (ESV)

Matthew 21:42-44 (NIV)

Discussion Questions

- 1) What impacted you the most from this week's message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?
- **2)** How would you explain the phrase, *The Christian life is not primarily about what you're doing, but who you're becoming* to others?
- **3)** Have you ever experienced brokenness in your relationship with God? What does it look like for you to mourn over your own sinfulness and rebellion, and denial?
- **4)** Read 1 Corinthians 7:6-11. Have you ever helped someone reach the pain of Godly sorrow? Has someone ever helped you? If you're a parent, can you relate? Explain.
- **5)** Read Matthew 21:42-44. Have you decided to fall on the Cornerstone of Jesus? Has He put the pieces of your life back together? Is it time to fall again?