## **Searching for Happiness part 2**

Scripture: Matthew 5:1-10, 7:24-27

- How do you define the word "holiness?" How do you think that definition has influenced your relationship with God?
- After reading Matthew 5:2-10, do you have trouble believing that happiness follows from the list of principles and behaviors that Jesus describes? Why or why not? Which ones come most naturally, which ones are more difficult?
- What are some reasons its difficult for us to live as though we are dependent on God? What do we lose when we live like this?
- After reading Matthew 7:24-27, to what extent have you built your life on living out Jesus teaching from the beatitudes? How has this affected your happiness?
- What do you need to "sow" in your life right now so that you can "reap" happiness in the future?