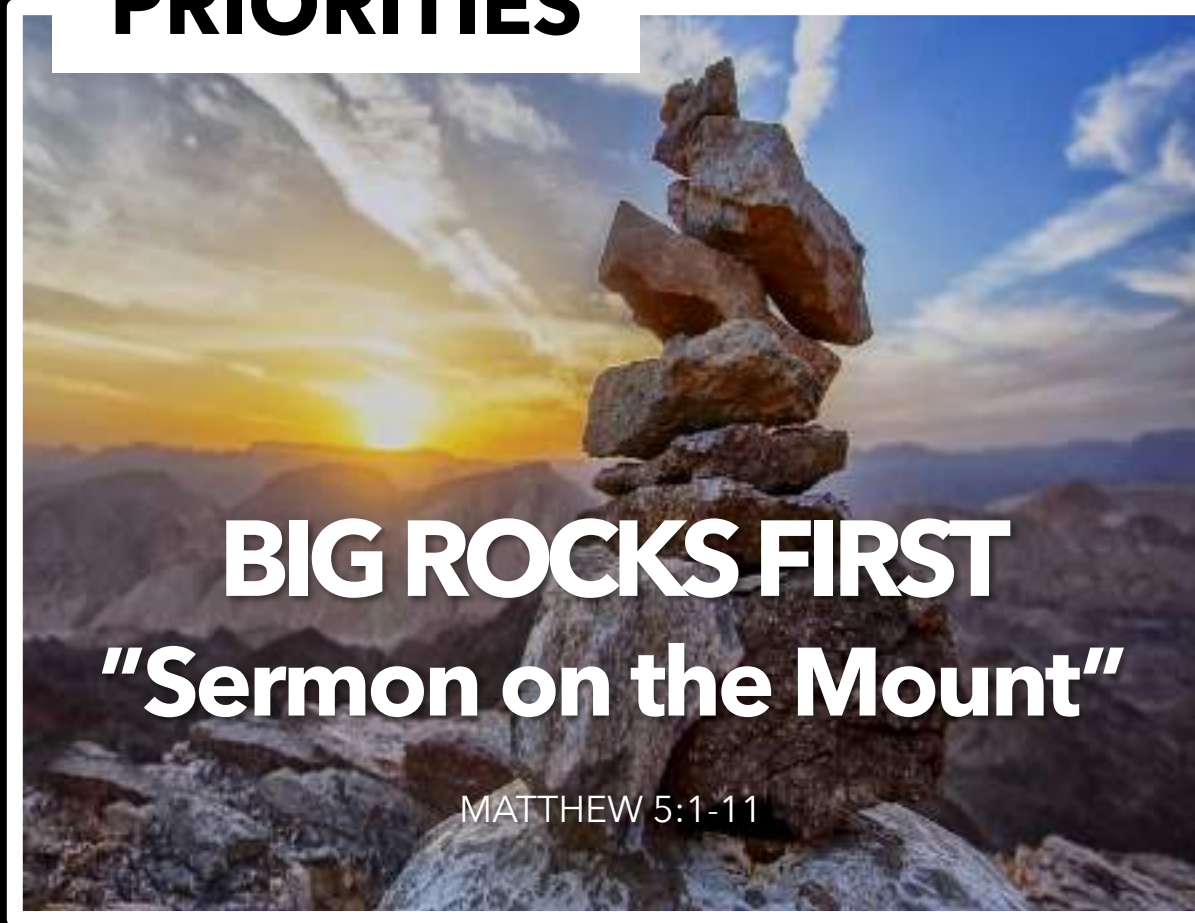


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True
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PRIORITIES FROM THE PARABLES

PRIORITIES



BIG ROCKS FIRST "Sermon on the Mount"

MATTHEW 5:1-11

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Where do your priorities lie?

SERMON ON THE MOUNT

Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them...

MATTHEW 5:1-2



The FIRST Beatitude

**Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the Kingdom of
Heaven.**

Matthew 5:3



The FIRST Beatitude

**Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.**

Matthew 5:4



The FIRST Beatitude

**Blessed are the meek, for they
will inherit the earth.**

Matthew 5:5

Blessed are the MEEK

What is "Meek"?



A hand holding a compass against a mountain landscape. The background shows a vast, hazy mountain range under a cloudy sky. The foreground shows a hand holding a compass, with a grey jacket sleeve visible. The text is overlaid on a dark, semi-transparent rectangular area.

Blessed are the MEEK

“Not overly impressed with a sense of self-importance.”

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Blessed are the MEEK

MEEKNESS

the alternative to

"ME"-NESS

"CAST ALONGSIDE"

**Why do you speak to
them in parables?**



Luke 14:7-14

**THE PARABLE OF
THE WEDDING FEAST**



Wedding Feast

Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor...

Luke 14: 7-14

Wedding Feast

“When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him,

Luke 14: 7-14

Wedding Feast

and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place.

Luke 14: 7-14

Wedding Feast

But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.'

Luke 14: 7-14

Wedding Feast

Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you.

Luke 14: 7-14

Wedding Feast

For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

Luke 14: 7-14

Blessed are the MEEK

1. How do I view myself?

***Do I Exalt Myself or
Do I Humble Myself?***

Wedding Feast

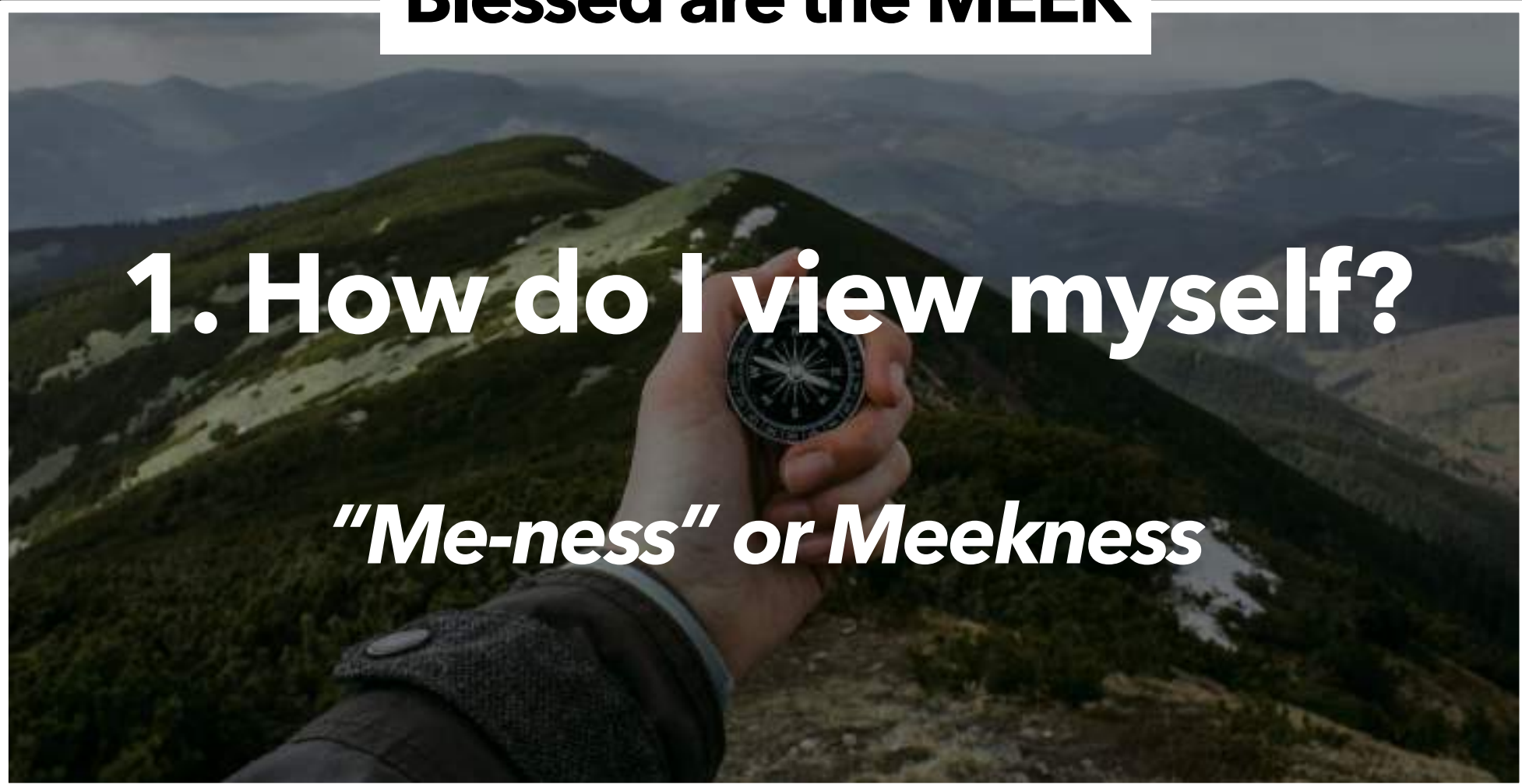
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Luke 14:12

Blessed are the MEEK

1. How do I view myself?

"Me-ness" or Meekness



Wedding Feast

He said also to the man who had invited him...

Luke 14: 7-14

Wedding Feast

“When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid.

Luke 14: 7-14

Wedding Feast

**But when you give a feast, invite
the poor, the crippled, the lame,
the blind,**

Luke 14: 7-14

Wedding Feast

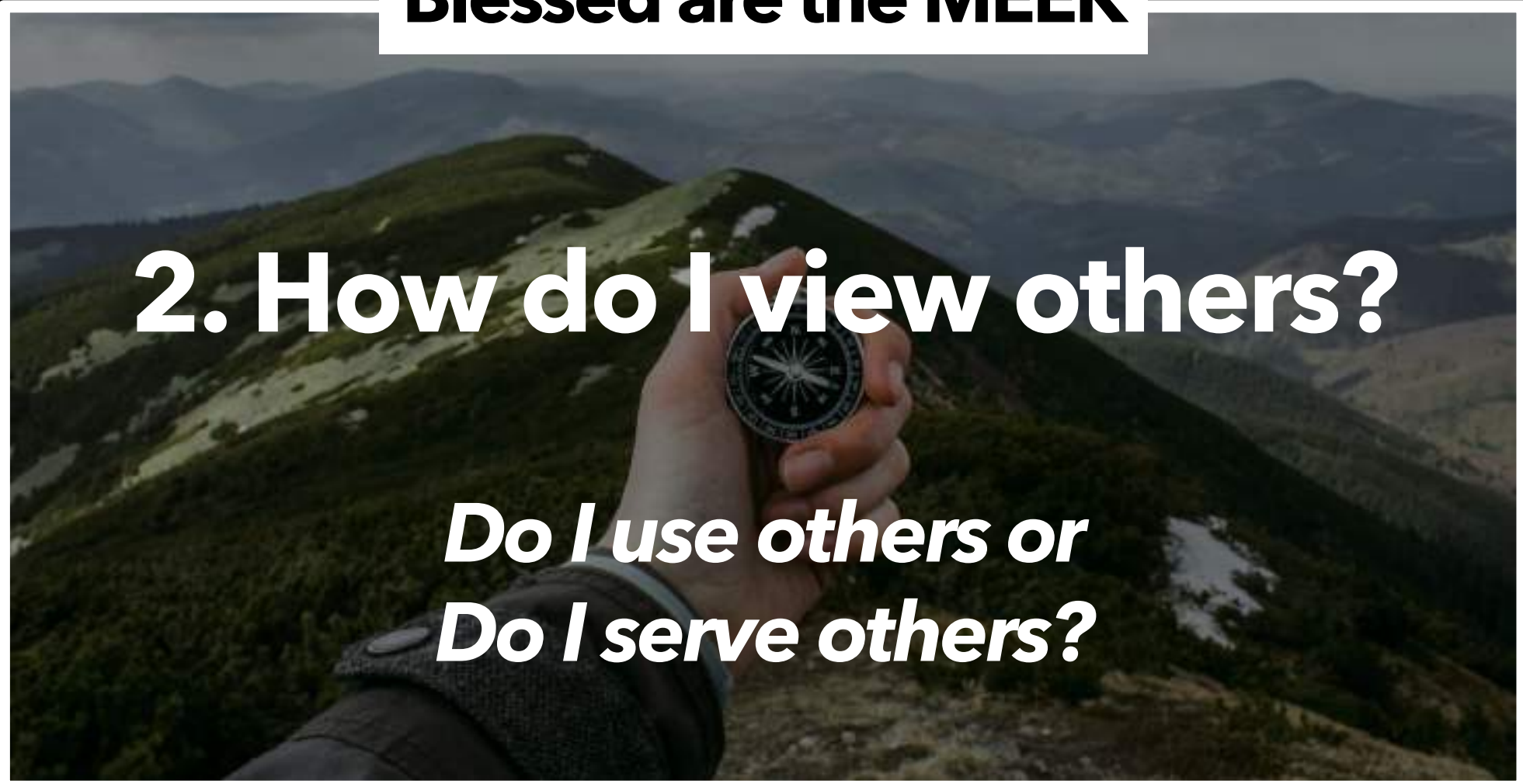
and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just."

Luke 14: 7-14

Blessed are the MEEK

2. How do I view others?

*Do I use others or
Do I serve others?*



THE MEEK ASK...

**HOW DO I VIEW MYSELF?
HOW DO I VIEW OTHERS?**

A photograph of a person in a dark, textured robe sitting at a rustic wooden table. The person is holding a large, golden-brown piece of bread over a dark bowl. A small, light-colored ceramic cup sits on the table to the left. The background is a simple, light-colored wall. The entire scene is framed by a white border.

A person's hand is shown holding a circular compass against a mountain landscape. The background features rolling hills and a valley with green vegetation under a hazy sky. The text is overlaid on a dark, semi-transparent rectangular area.

True North Living

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MIRROR PRINCIPLE



“For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like.”

JAMES 1: 23-24

11:55

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8. Live for the life to come



The Third Beatitude

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