



Welcome: Have the member you selected last week share their testimony.

Worship: Read *Psalm 51:10-17*.

Word:

- . **What is the definition of "salvation" we are focusing on during this series?**
- **Define "beatitude" and discuss how it relates to salvation?**
- Why do you think there is a promise after each beatitude?
What is the relevance of the promises being in past tense?
Does that mean the promises are not relevant to us right now? Discuss why or why not.
- Why do you think Jesus chose the first beatitude ("**poor in spirit**") and corresponding promise (see verse 3)? How does this beatitude frame the rest of them?
- **What do you think Jesus meant when he talked about "those who mourn" and "those who are meek"?**
Describe how you could be more mournful and/or meek.
- **Describe what you believe "righteousness" means and how it differs from self-righteousness.**
- Share the last time you were merciful to someone, or have received mercy from another person.
- **What is a "peacemaker"? When was the last time you had an opportunity to be a peacemaker?**
- **Why do you think Jesus' last beatitude related to persecution?**
- What is one thing you will do differently this week as result of these Scriptures?

Witness: Pick one or two person(s) in your group to prepare their testimony (that is brief, clear, simple, and humble) to share next week.