

# GUIDED BIBLE STUDY

## The Gift of Righteousness

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Highlighted Scripture

Matthew 5:20

For I say unto you, that except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

### Discussion Questions

- 1. Why do you think people so often believe that "being a good person" is enough for heaven?
- 2. What does it mean to you personally that righteousness is a gift from God?
- 3. How does knowing you are made righteous through Christ change the way you see yourself?
- 4. Do you find it difficult to let go of trying to earn God's approval? Why or why not?

#### Reflection Challenge

This week, anytime you feel unworthy, guilty, or "not good enough," pause and speak this truth out loud:

"Because I belong to Jesus, I am counted righteous in God's eyes."

Let that truth sink into your identity until it shapes the way you think, pray, and live.



#### Closing Prayer

Father, thank You that righteousness is not something I have to earn. Thank You for sending Jesus to make me clean, whole, and new. Help me remember that I am righteous because of His sacrifice, not my own efforts. Teach me to walk in this truth, to rest in it, and to live with gratitude for the gift You've given me. In Jesus' name, Amen.