

The Jewish Gospel of Matthew – Episode 9

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Matthew 5:5 ESV

Psalms 37:10-11 ESV

The word for land in Hebrew is *eretz*—and in Greek it is *gen* which is the word that Matthew uses.

Zephaniah 2:3-4 NKJV

The word for **meek** in Greek is *praus*—it is used only 3 times in the New Testament

Meek means exactly as it sounds—mildness of disposition—gentleness of spirit

Church meekness is an attitude towards God that reflects our trust in Him.

The desire of the one who has poverty of spirit, mourning for sin, and meekness: righteousness.

Matthew 5:6 ESV

We see Christ followers' hunger after a lot of things—
Power—fame—authority—success—comfort—happiness—
But how many truly hunger after righteousness.

“He hungers and thirsts after righteousness. He does not hunger and thirst that his own political party may get into power, but he does hunger and thirst that righteousness may be done in the land. He does not hunger and thirst that his own opinions may come to the front, and that his own sect or denomination may increase in numbers and influence, but he does desire that righteousness may come to the fore.” (Spurgeon)

This is a strange filling that both satisfies us and keeps us longing for more.