

## **Community Group Questions**

Read the verses: Matthew 4:23-Matthew 5

- 1. When you hear the word "blessed," who are the people that you think about?
- 2. What are common criticisms that you hear about the Church at large? Are any of those criticisms legitimate based on the standards that Christ sets for His people, or do they fall under the category of false witness?
- 3. What does it look like for you to be Salt and light where you live, work, and play?
- 4. Do you see the Sermon on the Mount primarily as the standard that Jesus expects His followers to actually adhere to or as a tool to reveal our shortcomings? What are the implications of each of those positions?
- 5. As you read through Matthew 5:21-48, where do you fall short?
- 6. How does your understanding of the whole Gospel message change your understanding of Matthew 5?
- 7. Who are the people in this world that you want nothing to do with? Pray for the Lord to break your heart for those people.