

NORMS FOR THE KINGDOM:
“Hunger & Thirst for Righteousness”
Matthew 5:6

1. Seeking Righteousness

2. Being Satisfied

3. Cultivating an Appetite

Life Group Questions
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Opener: What is something you had to acquire a taste for?

1. Review the Beatitudes we have covered so far. What is the main point of each? What are the opposites of each? Discuss how the first four Beatitudes build on one another.
2. Read Matthew 6:33; Romans 3:21-26. How would you define righteousness? How are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness to be satisfied?
3. Read Psalm 42:1-2. What are the differences between being a good person, pursuing a spiritual experience, and pursuing righteousness?
4. We know what it is like to crave certain food. Share a time when you craved God and the kind of life God designed you to live. How did you pursue righteousness?
5. An appetite for righteousness has to be cultivated. Like certain foods, righteousness is an acquired taste. How do we cultivate an appetite for righteousness?
6. What role can fasting play in cultivating an appetite for righteousness? What role do small groups play in helping people cultivate appetites for righteousness?
7. What is the benefit to those around us when we pursue righteousness?

Memory Verses: Matthew 5:3–6 ESV

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
Blessed are those who hunger & thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.”