

Attitudes that should Be in every Disciple

# PART 4 Blessed Are the Hungry and Thirsty

Matthew 5:6



- <sup>1</sup>When he saw the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>Then he began to teach them, saying:
- <sup>3</sup> "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for the kingdom of heaven is theirs.
- <sup>4</sup> Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- <sup>5</sup> Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
- <sup>6</sup> Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.



## "IVIakarios" ("Blessed")

Carried the idea of having everything needed to sustain life; to be self-contained.

#### 1. Hunger and thirst are powerful life forces.

- Hunger and Thirst have the power to disrupt.
- Hunger and Thirst also have the power to drive us toward important things.
  - "The laborer's appetite works for him; his hunger drives him on." (*Proverbs 16:26*)

#### 2. Righteousness is the pursuit of a blessed life.

What does it mean to hunger and thirst after the Lord Jesus Christ?

- It means we SEEK HIM FIRST. (Matt. 6:33) "Seek first His righteousness..."
- It means we DESIRE HIM FERVENTLY.
- It means we ENJOY HIM FULLY.
  - "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled." (Matt 5:6)

### 3. Fulfillment is the promise, if we're willing to seek Him.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after [Jesus], for they will be filled." (Matthew 5:6)

The key question that a growing disciple must ask:

#### Am I satisfied with what I am with God?