

Prayer Concerns:**Blessed Are the Broken**

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What the Sermon on the Mount is all about. [4:23-5:2]

The Sermon on the Mount is about _____ in a

The blessings. [5:3-6]

To be blessed means having the _____ and _____ that
comes from knowing we _____ before God.

1. “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” [3]

_____ by their own _____,
the poor in spirit _____ for _____

2. “Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.” [4]

Those who mourn grieve their _____ and the sin of

3. “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.” [5]

Meekness is a _____ to put _____
_____ ahead of _____

4. “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.” [6]

Those who hunger and thirst for righteousness _____ a
_____ with _____ and _____

Personal Study/Growth Group Discussion Questions

Getting Started:

1. What four things do you most want to see developed in your life?

Digging Deeper:

Read Matthew 4:23 – 5:6

1. How does Jesus' statement in verse 3 contradict our usual idea of brokenness?
2. Identify some insights that have helped you realize that you were "poor in spirit." How have you been blessed by acknowledging your spiritual poverty?
3. *"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."*
We're to grieve our own sin and the sin of our culture. However, instead of mourning, we can tend to condemn those who are rebelling against God. How does remembering that we're sinners saved by grace help us mourn the sin in our world?

4. Would you want to be called "meek"? Why or why not? Read and discuss Matthew 11:29; Colossians 3:12; Proverbs 16:32; 1 Peter 3:15.

5. What does it mean to "hunger and thirst for righteousness"? Would you say your appetite for righteousness is sharp or dull?

6. From these first four blessings, what is Jesus teaching us about Kingdom life in a fallen world?

Taking it Home:

1. How aware are you of your own brokenness before God?
2. Which of these blessings is most present in your life right now?