

The Beatitudes Message Series: "Hunger & Thirst"

Sunday, January 28, 2024 @ 10:30AM | Worship Center

Matthew 5:1-12: The Sermon on the Mount

5 "Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. **2** And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:
3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. **4** "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. **5** "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. **6** "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. **7** "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. **8** "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. **9** "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. **10** "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. **11** "Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. **12** Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied."

"Looked at as a whole ... the Beatitudes become a moral sketch of the type of person who is ready to possess, or rule over, God's Kingdom in company with the Lord Jesus Christ." – Kingsbury

"It has been well said, 'The Beatitudes describe the attitudes that ought to be in the believer's life.'" – Dr. Warren Wiesbe

If I surrender to the Lordship of Christ – let Him have complete and total control of my wants, needs and cares – I will experience His righteousness in my life.

"Hunger and thirst for righteousness"...

Psalm 42:1-2: "As the deer pants for the water brooks, so my soul pants for You, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God; When shall I come and appear before God?" (NASB)

Psalm 19:14: "Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart Be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my rock and my Redeemer." (NASB)

- **When we believe in Him at salvation, He transferred His righteousness into our life.**

Psalms 143:2; Ecclesiastes 7:20; Romans 3:10-12; Hebrews 1:3, 8-9; Romans 5:17-19 (NASB)

- **We should pursue His righteousness daily through studying His Word and living out our faith.**

Proverbs 21:21: "He who pursues righteousness and loyalty finds life, righteousness, and honor." (NASB)

"...for they will be satisfied"

- **When we concentrate on Jesus and seek to do His will, we are truly satisfied, and Jesus is all that we ever need.**

Psalms 107:9: "For He has satisfied the thirty souls, And the hungry soul He has fill with what is good."