

SERMON STUDY QUESTIONS

APRIL 7, 2019

1. Read Matthew 5:1-10
2. What does it mean to be blessed, and how is one's blessedness to be evaluated? Why is it critical for us to be clear on this and to internalize it?
3. What are the Beatitudes describing?
4. What does it mean to be poor in spirit? Read Luke 18:9-14. How does this Parable illustrate what it means to be poor in spirit?
5. What is the blessing attached to being poor in spirit, and why is it significant that Jesus speaks of it in the present tense?
6. What does Jesus mean when He says, "Blessed are those who mourn"? What does mourning refer to here? Jesus says that those who will be comforted. Where is comfort currently found for our mourning, even as we wait to experience the fullness of our comfort in heaven?
7. What does it mean to be meek? Why does this Beatitude fall where it does in this list of Beatitudes?
8. What does Jesus mean by saying "Blessed are the meek"? Is He saying if you are meek you will be super blessed? And how does the blessing of inheriting the earth tie into this? Explain.
9. What practical application can you draw from this text/sermon?
10. Pray!