

Small Discipleship Groups Sermon Guide Questions 19 JUNE 2022



To begin:

When you want to get away from people, where do you go and what do you do?

OR

What teacher, coach or other person taught you a lot about attitude and character? What one lesson or insight do you remember?

Before you proceed:

Pray and ask God to enlighten you to show you where he has been at work and present in your past week through events, places, and people. Ask Him to enliven and guide your group now in your reading and discussion. Read aloud **Matthew 5:1-12**.

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- 1. How would a modern-day psychologist (and society in general) evaluate Jesus' teachings on the Beatitudes?
- 2. How do the Beatitudes relate to the promises that follow them? How would you describe the opposite of each quality?
- 3. Is Jesus <u>describing</u> who his followers <u>are</u>? Or <u>prescribing</u> what they must do? Why do you think so?
- 4. What kind of mourning do you feel Jesus is talking about in verse 4? What causes you to mourn?
- 5. Who do you admire as a sound example of meekness? How do they model humility?
- 6. Where are you a "peacemaker": In your home? At church? At work? In your community otherwise? In what ways do you try to make peace?
- 7. Of all the Beatitudes, which two do you most desire or aspire to in your life right now? Which of these qualities are you most tempted to avoid?

Pray together as it flows from the discussion, as He leads.

*These questions were adapted from *The Serendipity Bible for Groups* (Zondervan, 1998).

