the Be-attitudes

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

Matthew 4:23-25; Luke 6:17-19

- What's the common denominator?
- When's the last time we've confessed: "I need You."
- Jesus wants to know: "What are you looking for?"
- What is it? A spiritual or physical fix?
- Are we like Judas? Don't want to be physically bankrupt?
- Are we like Lazarus? Spiritually bankrupt, but rich.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."

John 21:15-18

- It's one thing to feel bad, but it's another to repent. • This is what Jesus desires - 2 Corinthians 7:10-11 Remember, that while others enjoy laughter . . . He will exchange your tears for strength and joy. When's the last time you've mourned to the point of repentance?
- How heavy is the burden right now?

"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."

Matthew 21:4-5

 "Meekness is not weakness." Philippians 2:5-7 • We sing "He could have called 10,000 angels" I fear we miss the point: we're under His control Are we sure that our "confidence" isn't arrogance? How do you think those in the body or the world view you? Do we have a problem with authority? What does God see? Funny thing . . . this ends up working out to your benefit.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst righteousness, for they shall be satisfied." Matthew 4:1-2

- How hungry was Jesus at the end of 40 days?
 What did He promise John 6:35?
 Why do we struggle with a lack of appetite?
- How do you view God's law?
- What does a misunderstanding of His law lead to?
- When's the last time you woke up and thought, "I can't wait to be righteous today!" Is that not was Jesus is saying?
 ARE YOU READY TO BE RIGHT ?!?!

How's your Attitude ?