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Be-attitudes

“Blessed are the **merciful**, for they shall receive mercy.”

Luke 17:11-19

- The nine obeyed Jesus, but should we commend them?
- Is it possible to obey Jesus, but still miss the big picture?

Matthew 18:21-35

- Paul - how do you handle such a persecutor?
- When's the last time I've prayed for my enemy?
- Luke 7:41-43 - how much debt did you accrue?
- Titus 3:4-5 - doesn't this sum it all up?

“Blessed are the **pure in heart**, for they shall see God.”

Matthew 23:25-26

- This has been translated “utterly sincere.”
- Sincere during worship? Slick doesn't equal sincere.
- Are we “playing church”?
- Are you a fake? A “play actor”? Why are you doing that?
- Do we believe we're so slick we can pull one past God?
- Are we straddling the fence between two kingdoms?
- Know what God does with fake citizens?
- How do you react when your child acts authentically?

“Blessed are the **peacemakers**, for they shall be called
sons of God.”

Luke 7:44-50

- What did Jesus give to this woman?
- Do you desire this kind of relationship with the Lord?

Romans 5:9-11

- 2 Corinthians 5:18-20 - what was Paul's ministry?
- Isaiah 9:6-7 Jesus was the Prince of Peace, yet . . .
- Are we peacemakers or have we softened Jesus' message for 30 pieces of silver? What do you want for others?

“Blessed are those who are **persecuted** for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

John 15:18-20

- Did Jesus sugar coat it?
- Do we avoid persecution? Or has it not presented itself?
- 2 Corinthians 1:3-5 - what does this teach us?
- What is Jesus focusing on: physical or mental anguish because life doesn't go our way or spiritual persecution?
- “Woe to you, when all people speak well of you,”
- When's the last time we've been persecuted?

How's your

Attitude ?