

Community GROUPS

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Words From The Hill: Week 2 - Sept. 11, 2022

*“1 Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, 2 and he began to teach them. He said: 3 “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. 5 Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. 6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. 7 Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. 8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. 9 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. 10 Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 11 “Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. 12 Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”
-Matthew 5:1-12*

- 1) In what ways was the “culture” metaphor helpful or unhelpful from Sunday’s message?
- 2) Which “beatitude” comes most naturally to you?
- 3) Which “beatitude” is the biggest struggle for you?
- 4) How does viewing this last as one list that describes someone living in the kingdom differ from 8 individual characteristics we must achieve to be a Christian?
- 5) Is there any place in your life where you need to better pursue righteousness? What makes this difficult? Is there anything we can do to help you?
- 6) How can we do better as a group, or church, at helping people live out the beatitudes?