

J.G. Questions 9-20

Journey Group Questions

Beatitudes Wk. #5

1. Do you think it is correct to say that virtually every person has a “Hunger for Happiness” in his or her lives?
2. How have you experienced this in your life? What kinds of things have you pursued with the notion that they would provide you happiness? How has your life’s experience proven the “troubling elusiveness” of happiness?
3. [Matthew 5:6](#) says that we will be “blessed / happy” if we “Hunger and thirst for righteousness”. Why do you think we often have this so confused in our lives? In your experience, what happens when we pursue happiness instead of righteousness?
4. There are so many people that have this appetite confused. What are the long-term consequences in our lives of living with a misdirected hunger for happiness?
5. Read [Matthew 5:6](#) again. What do you think it means for a person to “hunger and thirst for righteousness? How should a hunger and thirst for righteousness resemble physical hunger and thirst? Despite Jesus’ promise that we will be “filled,” why do you think we continue to hunger and thirst for the wrong things?
6. Read [Romans 9:30 - 10:4](#). Why is it futile for people to try to become righteous on their own? How do we as Christ-Followers continue to try to be righteous on our own?
7. How would you describe the current level of “hunger and thirst for righteousness” in your life?
8. What are some things that we/you can do to develop this hunger at a whole new level?
9. As you conclude your time together this week; thank the Lord for providing a way for the “hunger” in our lives to be satisfied. Ask the Lord to provide a check in each of us when our “hunger” becomes misdirected. Pray as well for each other asking Him to lead us to a new place of “hunger for righteousness” in our lives.