

Re-Radicalized

Devotional on the Sermon on the Mount

Week 1

Day 1

Praise (What is it about God's character that I am grateful for?)

Read the text: Matthew 5:3-4 (Jot down words that you want to reflect on)

Ask questions & interpret the context:

- What does being poor in spirit mean to you? (v. 3)
- When you consider Jesus, what do you think you're in need of? (v. 3)
- What are you brokenhearted over? (v. 4)

Summarize: Now take a moment to go back and pour over your observations as well as your responses to the questions.

Engage with God: Bring your thoughts, questions, and desire for change to the Lord for his forgiveness, wisdom, correction, guidance, and direction.

Extra Questions to Consider

1. What is the Lord saying to you personally?
2. What do you need to pray about?
3. With whom does the Lord want you to share this devotional?
4. Who has the Lord placed on your heart to pray for and invite to church?

Digging Deeper

- Do you think verse 3 is referring to those who are economically poor, spiritually poor, or both? And why?
- Consider how Romans 8:18 comes into play with verse 3.
- What spiritual values do you long for or are in need of? (i.e. - forgiveness, mercy, kindness, grace, love, truth, honesty and salvation for examples)
- How does it make you feel knowing that the Lord has already anticipated your angst, sorrow or grief through His humanity and ultimately dying for you?
- Read Psalm 51:17 and consider how this verse reflects verse 4.
- What kind of attitude do you desire to put into practice in order to truly experience being as blessed as you are?