

Discussion Questions

Matthew 5

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1. What did you learn and take away from your study of Matthew 5 this week?
2. Why do you think Jesus chose these specific beatitudes and calls them blessed (verses 3-12)? Imagine hearing them for the first time. What is surprising about the list?
3. "You are the salt of the earth (v13). You are the light of the world (v14)." What does this mean for Jesus' disciples? What does it look like to be salt and light in your world?
4. Discuss what Jesus means when He says our righteousness must surpass that of the scribes and Pharisees (v20). How do we gain this righteousness?