

Beatitudes: THE WAY OF JUSTICE

ICE BREAKER

- We all have a longing for God and his design, but we run toward plenty of things to fill the longing and it ultimately isn't good. Where do you see us doing this as a culture? What do you struggle with running towards or hungering after that isn't God's design or desire?

Matthew 5:3-11

V. 6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

- Filled- Satiated, Satisfied
- Hunger and Thirst- To ache for change
- Righteousness- Justice

One reason we don't hunger and thirst after God is because we simply have too many choices. It's easy to choose between good and bad, but it's much more difficult to choose between good and better. God's ways are better. Where have I had to say no to good things to pursue what's better?

Isaiah 40:4

First instinct- Passive Indifference

Isaiah 58:6-7

What issues being raised do you find yourself feeling indifferent towards, but maybe you need to take more action?

Reality- Invited to be agents of Justice

Micah 6:8; James 1:27

New Posture:

- Increase proximity to injustice - John 1:14
- Imagine the world as it could be
 - I want to live in a world where_____.
- Step into Action
 - One thing I can do is_____.

What is one step I (we) can take to see that God's justice/kingdom is being displayed?

APPLICATION

- Do I need to **surrender my life** to Jesus Christ and have my sins forgiven?
- What is one takeaway from today's message?

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