

KINGDOM HAPPINESS POOR IN SPIRIT

Matthew 5:3

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1.	Expect	_ (v.3)	Matthew 5:3 3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (ESV)
2.	Admit	(v.3)	
3.	Set	_ (v.3)	

Application Questions

the answer to their spiritual poverty?

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others. For more information about LifeGroups at Compass Bible Church that utilize these questions as the basis for their weekly discussion, please visit compasshillcountry.org/lifegroups or email us at info@compasshillcountry.org.

1. What is one observation you found particularly helpful from this week's sermon?

2. Read Psalm 144:15 & Proverbs 16:19–20. Happiness in God's economy looks quite different than its worldly counterpart. That being said, how should your thought life change when you consider God's desire for his children to have genuine happiness in their new spiritual status in the Kingdom of Heaven?

3. How can your hyperfocus on happiness derived from circumstantial situations hinder the genuine happiness God desires for every Christian?

4. Read <u>Isaiah 61:1–2</u>. These people knew the bad news of their desperate situation and gladly looked forward to the freedom that would eventually be fulfilled through Jesus. In the same way, why is a sincere announcement of the bad news of everyone's destitute position before God necessary to effectively guide lost souls to gladly look to Jesus as

5. Read <u>Ephesians 2:4–5</u>. How does the lie of self-sufficiency hinder someone's ability to see their great need for God?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

March 5th

Num 34-36 & Mark 10:32-52

March 6th

Deut 1-2 & Mark 11:1-19

March 7th

Deut 3-4 & Mark 11:20-33

March 8th

Deut 5-7 & Mark 12:1-27

March 9th

Deut 8-10 & Mark 12:28-44

March 10th

Deut 11-13 & Mark 13:1-13

March 11th

Deut 14-16 & Mark 13:14-37

March 12th

Deut 17-19 & Mark 14:1-25

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- a. How does this same lie hinder your ability to look to God, except perhaps in times of great distress?
- 6. Read Matthew 6:19–21 & 1 Timothy 6:17–19. What does a person's life look like that has their mind focused on the Kingdom of Heaven?
- 7. What are a few things you can do this week to help you shift your focus away from the world and toward the Kingdom of Heaven and the happiness it promises?