

# Study QUESTIONS

## Ep. 1213: Is God Happy With My Attitude? (Part I)

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1. What does it mean to be blessed? To whom did Jesus preach the Beatitudes? How do we know this for sure? What does this tell us about the message? (See Matthew 5:1-9,13-14, John 13:14-17)
2. What do the Beatitudes teach us about Jesus' character? How did Jesus empty himself twice? Why did he do this? Why is it important that we learn to empty ourselves as Jesus did? (See John 6:38, Philippians 2:6-7)
3. What does it mean to be "poor in spirit"? How did Jesus exemplify this in his life? Being poor in spirit means being empty of what? (See Isaiah 53:3-4, Matthew 5:3)
4. Why is it so important to be properly humble? How can we incorporate humility in our service to God? Why is being humble, or poor in spirit the first Beatitude? (See Proverbs 29:23, Micah 6:8, Luke 12:29-32, 1 Corinthians 1:26-29, 1 Peter 5:5-6, James 2:5)
5. During what circumstances did Jesus grieve? Why did Jesus mourn so deeply for Lazarus even though he was going to raise him from the dead in a few minutes? Why is this important? What did Jesus say in Matthew 23:37 after scathingly denouncing the Pharisees? What did this show about his character? (See Isaiah 6:8-10, Matthew 5:4, 23:1-39, John 11:35)
6. How can we follow the example set by Jesus and mourn appropriately? Why is it crucial to do so? What might we mourn for in our lives? What aspect of mourning is shown in Romans 12:15-16? What is the message of Isaiah 61:1-3? (See also Psalms 40:1-3, John 16:19-20)
7. How did Jesus embody meekness and gentleness during unjust treatment? Is a meek and gentle character weak? Explain. How was Jesus teachable? What can gentleness and meekness look like in our lives as Christians? How can we be teachable? (See Matthew 5:5, 11:28-30, 26:55-56, Luke 2:42, John 13:14-17, 2 Timothy 2:24-25)
8. What inheritance has been given to the followers of Jesus through God's Grace? What is the "ministry of reconciliation"? What must our attitude be to attain this inheritance? (See Psalms 2:7-8, John 14:2, 2 Corinthians 5:18-19, Galatians 3:26-29)
9. What do the first three Beatitudes mean to you? How do you incorporate them in your Christian walk? In looking at yourself humbly and honestly, what are your weaknesses? What are your God-given strengths and talents? How will you use them in God's service?