

# Study QUESTIONS

## Ep. 1214: Is God Happy With My Attitude? (Part II)

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1. Why is being poor in spirit (being humble) so important? What do we mourn? How do we mourn? What is necessary to become teachable? How was Jesus teachable?
2. What does it mean to hunger and thirst for righteousness during this life? How did Jesus display this hunger and thirst during *his* life? What is required of us at the deepest level of hungering and thirsting? What will satisfy our spiritual hunger and thirst? (See Psalms 17:15, 40:7-10, Matthew 5:6, John 4:13-14, 6:49-51, 1 John 3:2)
3. To be merciful is to be compassionate. How are mercy and justice connected? How did Jesus express mercy to others during his ministry? How does being emptied apply to mercy? (See Matthew 5:7, 9:11-13, Luke 17:12-14)
4. What does mercy look like in our Christian life today? Why is it such an important part of our character? What does Jesus' answer to Peter's question in Matthew 18:21-22 tell us about the depth of God's mercy compared to our own? (Hebrews 4:15-16, 1 Peter 1:3-4)
5. What does it mean to have a pure heart? How can we clearly see the purity of Jesus' heart? How was Jesus' pure heart "evil-repulsing" and also "people-building"? Why should these particularly be an example for us? (See Matthew 5:8, John 15:12-15)
6. How can we strive for a pure heart? What does God do to prune us? Why is this Beatitude near the end of the list? Who benefits from someone who is pure in heart? (See Proverbs 4:23, John 15:2-4, Colossians 3:2, Philippians 4:7, Hebrews 12:13, 1 Timothy 1:5-6, 1 John 3:2-3)
7. What is a peacemaker? How is Jesus the ultimate peacemaker in Romans 5:18-19? How is Jesus a peacemaker in Ephesians 2:13-14, 19? What all does he accomplish in these scriptures? Explain the balance in the graphic with Adam and Jesus. (See Matthew 5:9)
8. How can we learn from Jesus' example to become true peacemakers in our lives? What are the responsibilities of the true followers of Jesus now and in the future in regards to peacemaking? How does peacemaking differ in the present time compared to in God's kingdom? (See 2 Corinthians 5:18-21, Philippians 4:6-7, Hebrews 12:14-15)
9. Why is it important to study the Beatitudes in depth? (See Matthew 5:10-12, 2 Corinthians 3:18)
10. Which Beatitude resonates the most in your heart? Why? What will you do to ensure that you are following Christ's example and living out all seven Beatitudes?