

Matthew 5:1-6 Foundation For Servant Leadership

Where did the humble attitude of Jesus and His disciples come from? The Sermon on the Mount may give us some insight!

1. **Poor in Spirit:** We often think of this as someone who is just down and out all the time. That life has just left us so broken. Truly we can serve better when we see this as, we are broken poor people without God. Poor not by the world's standards but by God's standards. We must realize we are dead and broken people without Jesus. Serving others from this common ground is key. We are all the same. Jesus is the only change and hope for us all.
2. **Those Who Mourn:** We often think of this as those who have lost people or lost things that have impacted their lives. This can be true of course but it also means that we mourn our sin. We mourn the life we waste not following Christ. We repent and deal with our struggles. We mourn our sin and see it for what it is and see our true need for Jesus. Again, serving from this place will lead us to serving from a better mindset.
3. **The Meek:** We often think of this as those who are easily pushed around. Those who are ran over daily by people and life. Not so...this means humble. This means those who don't mind being last or going unseen. No me first attitude. Be willing to be nobody so everyone can know Jesus!!
4. **Hunger and Thirst for Righteousness:** We must have a hunger to be better. To be in God's word. To be in prayer. To be in God's house and around His people. To do what He has lead and shown us to do. We cannot serve others well until our serving comes from a place of growth. Serving is fruit from a growing covenant with God...through an active and intense relationship with Jesus Christ.

We will find serving hard and we often will fail.....if these things are areas we are missing.

Start with the best question you can ask yourself....do I really know Jesus? We can help...let us know!!