King Jesus, the Beatitudes, and The Kingdom of Heaven

Part 5



Scriptures

• John 16:7-8

⁷But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you. ⁸And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment;

• Romans 2:4

⁴Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance?

• Matthew 5:3-5 (KJV)

³Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. ⁵Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

• Luke 13:3

• ³I tell you, no, but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.

• Matthew 5:20

²⁰"For I say to you that unless your righteousness surpasses *that* of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

• 2 Corinthians 10:12, 18

¹²For we are not bold to class or compare ourselves with some of those who commend themselves; but when they measure themselves by themselves and compare themselves with themselves, they are without understanding.

¹⁸For it is not he who commends himself that is approved, but he whom the Lord commends.

• James 4:9-10

⁹Be miserable and mourn and weep; let your laughter be turned into mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰Humble yourselves in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt you.

Matthew 11:29

²⁹Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

• John 18:36

³⁶Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, then My servants would be fighting so that I would not be handed over to the Jews; but as it is, My kingdom is not of this realm."

• Revelation 5:10

¹⁰"You have made them *to be* a kingdom and priests to our God; and they will reign upon the earth."

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Other Scriptures

- Isaiah 6:1-5
- Matthew 20:1-16

Main Points

- The fact that someone is conscious of and mourns over their sin is a demonstration of the fact that the kindness of God is at work in their life.
 - o The Goodness of God leads us to repentance.
- "Meekness"
 - o Godly strength under control
 - o Is a supernatural fruit of the Spirit

Discussion Questions

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1.	Discuss how God's goodness has led you to repentance in your life.
2.	Are we supposed to make someone feel better about their sins if the Holy Spirit is convicting them? Why or why not?
3.	Look at Matthew 5:20 and discuss what Jesus means by that statement. How does this relate to being meek?

4. Why is it so dangerous to measure ourselves against those who commend themselves?