HOW CAN WE KNOW IF WE ARE SAVED? IS HIS CHARACTER MANIFEST IN US? Part 2 Matthew 5:6

- I. REVIEW: AN OVERVIEW AND INTRO TO THE BEATITUDES (1-2)
- II. REVIEW: THE SAVED (BLESSED) RECOGNIZE THEIR TRUE STATE: Spiritual poor and sinful (3-4)
- III. THE SAVED (BLESSED) HAVE A NEW DISPOSITION: One which reflects a true relationship with Christ (5-9)
 - A. REVIEW: MANIFESTING HIS GENTLENESS (meekness) (5)
 - B. DEEPLY DESIRING CHRIST'S RIGHTEOUSNESS manifest in your own behavior (6)
 - 1. What is righteousness? (Misc passages)
 - (a) Righteousness defined
 - (b) Righteousness reveled in Scripture
 - (i) God is by nature is righteous, He acts righteously and His Word is righteous
 - (ii) Man by nature is unrighteous, acting unrighteously
 - (iii) God provides righteousness (positional and practical)
 - 2. THE BLESSED HUNGER AND THIRST FOR HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS (6a)
 - 3. THE RESULT OF HUNGERING AND THIRSTING FOR HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS: The blessed will be satisfied (6b)

NEXT WEEK (Lord willing)

- C. EXHIBITING HIS MERCY (7)
- D. WALKING IN THE CONTEXT OF A CLEANSED HEART, by Him (8)
- E. PROCLAIMING HIS EXCELLENCIES: The gospel of peace (9)
- IV. THE BLESSED'S NEW DISPOSITION WILL RESULT IN PERSECUTION (10)