



Sermon Discussion Guide

September 27, 2026

Refresh

Read Matthew 5:6 to get the Scripture passage back in your mind.

Discuss

How do the first four Beatitudes build on one another? How does recognizing our spiritual poverty, mourning over sin, and becoming meek naturally lead to hungering and thirsting for righteousness?

Jesus uses hunger and thirst to describe an intense, consuming desire. What do we tend to desire with that kind of intensity, and what would it look like for our desire for God and righteousness to grow stronger?

Psalms 42 and 63 describe people who deeply thirst for God. What do you think produces that kind of longing for God in a believer's life? What tends to weaken it?

We were told that everyone has spiritual hunger, yet we often try to satisfy it with things that cannot truly satisfy. What are some common "spiritual junk foods" we turn to instead of God? How do we cultivate an appetite for righteousness and holiness?

Pastor Mark described three dimensions of righteousness: imputed righteousness, personal righteousness, and, ultimately, a world in which righteousness dwells. How are these three connected in the Christian life?

What does a genuine hunger for personal holiness look like in everyday life? Can you think of any examples of people in your life who faithfully hunger for personal holiness? What about their lives causes you to see them as an example in this area?

Jesus promises that those who hunger and thirst for righteousness "shall be satisfied." In what ways does Christ satisfy that hunger now, and in what ways are we still waiting for its complete fulfillment? How should that future hope of satisfaction affect the way we live this week?