God’s Upside Down World
Matthew 5:1-12

This morning, Pastor David continued the series, “Sermon On The Mount”, with a message from Matthew 5:5. Reread those verses as you consider these questions.

• Pastor David shared that when we think of “meekness”, we should think of it as gentleness and humility. How often, if ever, have you found yourself looking for “meekness” in someone else? Describe what it looked like when you found it.
• In what area(s) of your life do you need to be intentional about cultivating “meekness”? What is one step you will take this week to begin that cultivation.
• As one of God’s children, how can your “meekness” point others to Christ?
• What efforts and/or works do you need to surrender in order to allow God to work through you in HIS strength, not yours?

In your time with God this week,

1. Thank God for giving us Christ to model meekness.
2. Ask God to show you the area(s) of your life that are keeping you from the meekness described in Matthew 5.
3. Commit to think more about others than yourself this week – at home, at work, and in your neighborhood.
ADDITIONAL DISCOVERY:

"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." -Matthew 11:28-29

"Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.' -- Matthew 21:5

"Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which outwardly appear beautiful, but within are full of dead people's bones and all uncleanness." -Matthew 23:27

"Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind amount yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus." --Philippians 2:3-5

"Humility is not thinking less of yourself, it's thinking of yourself less." C.S. Lewis

"But the meek shall inherit the land and delight themselves in abundant peace." Psalm 37:11

"Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw a holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying 'Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.'" -Revelation 21:1-3