- 10. What passage gives us Paul's personal testimony? 11. Paul described a true Christian as one who has no confidence in what? 12. Why would Paul begin his list of religious achievements by listing "circumcised the eighth day?" 13. Who was Paul like: Ishmael or Isaac? 14. Why is circumcision worse than meaningless when it comes to
- salvation?
- 15. Paul could trace his lineage back to whom?
- 16. What do we learn about "race" as it relates to salvation?
- 17. What was Paul's point in saying he was of the tribe of Benjamin?
- 18. What tribe remained faithful to the house of David?
- 19. From his discussion about being of the tribe of Benjamin, Paul helps us understand that salvation is not by what?
- 20. What did you have to do in order to be a Hebrew of the Hebrews?
- 21. Paul was a religious what?
- 22. The name, "Pharisee," meant what?
- 23. What was the highest level of religious achievement in Israel?
- 24. Are there people like the Pharisees today?
- 25. What virtue did Jews consider the most commendable?

- 26. Paul acted on his zeal. He was a sincere man, but he was what?
- 27. Sincerity without truth is what?
- 28. Truth without sincerity is what?
- 29. What could people NOT do in relation to Paul's life on the outside?
- 30. Salvation is NOT by what?
- 31. When Paul came face to face with the Lord Jesus Christ, he saw all of his own merit as what?
- 32. What, besides sin, is rubbish in God's eyes?
- 33. When Paul became poor in spirit, he mourned his lostness, became meek in heart, hungering and thirsting for righteousness, thus, he received what?
- 34. What doesn't stop after a person receives the righteousness of Jesus Christ?
- 35. Do the words in Psalm 42 and 63 describe you?
- 36. Can you relate to the words of Romans 7:15 and 24?
- 37. When we hunger and thirst for righteousness, what does it do when we sin?
- 38. According to Matthew 5:6, those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, will be what?
- 39. How are we filled?
 - a. The righteousness of Christ is imputed to us in
 - b. The righteousness of Christ is imparted to us in
 - c. The righteousness of Christ is completed in us in

- 40. Do you hunger and thirst for righteousness in every day life?
- 41. What are you trusting in for salvation?
- 42. Are you willing to trash all that you have in your profit column to receive Christ?
- 43. Do you long to grow in righteousness in your life?
- 44. Does your soul really pant for God? (Not just on Sundays?)

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- » How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- » How can I accomplish this change?
- » What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Time:

- 1) Read Matthew 1:1-5:7
- 2) Our country is founded on the belief that all people have the right to what?
- 3) What are the things that many people look for true and lasting happiness in? How about you?
- 4) What is mercy? We need mercy from God. In what ways do we need mercy from others?
 - 5) Think of all the mistakes you have made in the past week.
- 6) What happens if you as a Christian refuse to forgive others who have sinned against you?
 - 7) What are some ways you can show mercy to others?

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HUNGERING AND THIRSTING FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS Matthew 5:6 (Series #17)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon "Hungering and Thirsting For Righteousness." All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

- 1. Have you ever been hungry or thirsty because you were in a situation where you had no access to any food or drink?
- 2. The term, "Beatitudes" comes from a Latin word for what?
- 3. If you lived at the time of Christ and you heard Him use the word, "blessed," you would understand it to mean what?
- 4. What are you NOT, if you see yourself as "Self-sufficient?"
- 5. Have you declared spiritual bankruptcy before God?
- 6. Realizing our lost condition, causes us to do what?
- 7. We mourn over our sin and rebellion and lostness which results in what?
- 8. When we are poor in spirit and recognize our own spiritual bankruptcy, and when we mourn our sinful and lost condition, and when we humble ourselves before the Lord for what He has for us, the next step is what?
- 9. When we have come to the point where we are no longer self-sufficient, we mourn over our inadequacy, and we are meekly humble, we no longer hold to what?
- **To help protect the quality of recording the sermon, we ask that you quietly turn to the inside of this study guide. Thank you! We appreciate your help.