Community Group Homework Questions

Song (Optional): If your group would like to sing together as a way to worship as a group, we will be suggesting a title from that previous week's worship set at church. This week, we're recommending "Christ Our Hope in Life and Death."

- I. Do you struggle with the idea that the following the Lord ought to make you happy? How do you experience this in your own walk with Him? Where is happiness in the Lord difficult? Why do you think that is?
- 2. Ultimately, why does sin fail to satisfy the hearts of men and women?
- 3. If a friend or acquaintance asked you, "what does it mean in the gospels to be 'poor in spirit?" how would you answer them? After hearing Pastor Bryan's sermon, could you explain on your own what it does and *does not* mean?
- 4. Are there any areas of your life where you are tempted to feel prideful? Are there any areas where you're prone to forget I Corinthians 4:7-"And what do you have that you did not receive? Now if you did indeed receive it, why do you boast as if you had not received it?"
- 5. How are you tempted to compare yourself to others? Do you tend to use comparison to develop a sense of superiority? Do you use it to develop a sense of envy or self-pity? How does the Lord view that sort of attitude in either case?

Poor But Rich Luke 6:20

Series #30

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: "Poor But Rich." 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.

- I. Have you ever thought about what it would have been like to be around lesus and see Him in action and hear Him teach?
- 2. The ministry of Jesus basically revolved around how many activities?
- 3. Jesus preached the gospel or good news of what?
- 4. The sermon in Luke 6:20-49 has often been called what?
- 5. What were the three groups present at this sermon?
- 6. Jesus begins His sermon with statements known as what?
- 7. Jesus tells us that what type of person is "blessed"?
- 8. What did Jesus NOT mean with His opening statement?
- 9. Jesus is talking about why kind of poverty in this verse?
- 10. The word "blessed" basically means what?

II. Are you one who believes it is **NOT** okay to be happy? 25. Is it critical to be poor in spirit only to get into the kingdom? 26. What is the path into the kingdom and the walk of one who is in 12. Where do you go to try to find happiness? the kingdom? Is that you? 13. Things that make you happy for a short time end up adding to your 27. Do you really believe what Jesus said in John 15:1-5? what? 28. Can we do some things with eternal value apart from the Lord **lesus Christ?** 14. Sin offers happiness, but it actually delivers what? 29. Why can we not really boast about anything in our lives? 15. Hebrews 11:25 refers to the what of sin? 16. To be poor in spirit does not simply mean to be what? 30. Boasting reveals that you don't have what? 31. What do you have that you did not receive? 17. A second thing "poor in spirit" does NOT mean is what? 32. What does the word "walk" in Ephesians 4:1 mean? 18. Are you "poor in spirit"? 33. What word literally means, "to balance the scales"? 19. You could say that being poor in spirit is the opposite of what? 34. How does Paul describe his intense desire for every Christian to walk worthy of the Lord? 20. From Luke 18:9 we are reminded that the person who is poor in spirit doesn't do what? 35. Our primary ministry is to do what? 36. Paul begins to define the worthy walk with what? 21. Which of the two persons in Luke 18:9-14 is poor in spirit? 37. What word never appears in Classical Greek? 22. To be justified is to be granted what before God? 38. What is one reason why we aren't always humble? 23. Who are the only ones who will get into the kingdom of heaven? 39. Do you want to be truly blessed? Do you want to be in the 24. Have you personally recognized that you are spiritually bankrupt, a kingdom of God? Do you want to be truly happy? sinner who needs mercy and the grace of God?