

Craving for More than Food

Luke 6:21a

(series #31)

Introduction: the path of blessedness and happiness

I. The Aspects of Righteousness in View

- A. We long for positional righteousness
- B. We long for practical righteousness

II. The Positional Righteousness - Phil. 3:4-9

- A. Salvation is not by Rite - "circumcised the 8th day"
- B. Salvation is not by Race - "of the stock of Israel"
- C. Salvation is not by Rank - "of the tribe of Benjamin"
- D. Salvation is not by Rituals - "Hebrew of the Hebrews"
- E. Salvation is not by Religion - "a Pharisee"
- F. Salvation is not Reward for Sincerity - "persecuting..."
- G. Salvation is not by Righteous Deeds - "blameless"

III. The Practical Righteousness - Phil. 3:10-14

- A. Psalm 42:1-2a; Psalm 63:1-8
- B. Romans 7:15, 24

IV. The Promise to be Filled

- A. Righteousness imputed in justification
 - Positional righteousness
- B. Righteousness imparted in sanctification
 - Practical righteousness
- C. Righteousness completed in glorification
 - Perfected righteousness

Concluding application: Do you hunger and thirst?