

#Blessed 4  
Hunger and Thirst for Righteousness

**Matthew 7:28 - 29 (NLT)** <sup>28</sup>After Jesus finished speaking, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, <sup>29</sup>for he taught as one who had real authority—quite unlike the teachers of religious law.

Jesus' teaching often times isn't what we \_\_\_\_\_, but it is always what we \_\_\_\_\_.

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."  
"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."  
"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth"

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled"

Jesus wants me to \_\_\_\_\_ righteous, not just do righteous things.

**Matthew 5:17 – 18, 20 (NLT)** <sup>17</sup>"Don't misunderstand why I have come. I did not come to abolish the law of Moses or the writings of the prophets. No, I came to fulfill them. <sup>18</sup>I assure you, until heaven and earth disappear, even the smallest detail of God's law will remain until its purpose is achieved... <sup>20</sup>"But I warn you—unless you obey God better than the teachers of religious law and the Pharisees do, you can't enter the Kingdom of Heaven at all!

Therefore, I need to \_\_\_\_\_ the 'do what I can get away with' mentality.

Murder – \_\_\_\_\_  
Mathew 5:21-26

Adultery – \_\_\_\_\_  
Mathew 5:27-30

Divorce – \_\_\_\_\_  
Mathew 5:31-32

Oaths – \_\_\_\_\_  
Mathew 5:33-37

Justice – \_\_\_\_\_  
Mathew 5:38-42

Revenge – \_\_\_\_\_  
Mathew 5:43-48

**Jeremiah 31:33 - 34 (NLT)** <sup>33</sup>"But this is the new covenant I will make with the people of Israel on that day," says the LORD. "I will put my laws in their minds, and I will write them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. <sup>34</sup>And they will not need to teach their neighbors, nor will they need to teach their family, saying, 'You should know the LORD.' For everyone, from the least to the greatest, will already know me," says the LORD. "And I will forgive their wickedness and will never again remember their sins."

Therefore, I don't live on \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_

Do you \_\_\_\_\_ to be full or empty?

Being righteous helps me fulfill my \_\_\_\_\_ as a human

Final Thought: Instead of doing what you can get \_\_\_\_\_ with, \_\_\_\_\_ righteousness. Then you will be one step closer to truly \_\_\_\_\_ your purpose.