

Sunnyside Foursquare

Series: Kingdom Minded

Title: Controlled Strength (Meek)

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Matthew 5:1-5

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, ² and he began to teach them.

He said:

³ “Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.

⁵ Blessed are ***the meek***,
for they will inherit the earth.

Matthew 6:19-34

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. ²⁰ But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

²² “The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are healthy,^[a] your whole body will be full of light. ²³ But if your eyes are unhealthy,^[b] your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness!

²⁴ “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.

²⁵ “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes?

²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? ²⁷ Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life^[c]?

²⁸ “And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. ²⁹ Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ³⁰ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and

tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹ So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³² For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. ³³ But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. ³⁴ Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

Questions:

1. When you think of being “*meek*” what comes to mind or how would you define it?
2. How can making Jesus the Master of our life vs money help us to be meek (vs. 19-24)?
 - a. Why is it imperative that Jesus be **our Master** (Lord & King) and nothing else be?
3. How can we manage (& steward) our finances so that we are glorifying God and making an eternal impact, not merely storing up more stuff here on earth?
 - a. Has the Holy Spirit been speaking (prompting or convicting) to you about an area regarding generosity? How does that correlate to being meek?
4. In verses 25-34 above, Jesus tells us do not worry 4 times. Thank God, truly, He took it a step further and instructed us to Worship God, rather than worry.
 - a. How has worshipping God helped you overcome worry-anxiety-or fear in the past?
 - b. If you haven’t tried to worship God as an antidote for worry are you willing to try?
5. Take a moment, right now, and submit your life and circumstances to the Lord and praise His Holy Name!

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