



**The Beatitudes – Part 4
Blessed Are Those Who
Hunger & Thirst for Righteousness**

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Matthew 5:6 (NIV), “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for **righteousness**, for they will be **filled**.”

1. Righteousness and _____ go together.

Matthew 5:6 (NCV), “Those who want to **do right** more than anything else are happy, because God will **fully satisfy** them.”

Matthew 5:6 (NLT), “God blesses those who hunger and thirst for **justice**, for they will be satisfied.”

2. Righteousness leads to _____.

Proverbs 12:28 (NIV), “In the **way of righteousness** there is **life**; along that path is **immortality**.”

1 John 1:8 (NIV), “If we claim to be without sin, **we deceive ourselves** and the truth is not in us.”

3. Righteousness becomes our _____.

2 Corinthians 5:21 (NASB), “He made Him who knew no sin to be sin in our behalf, **so that** we might become the **righteousness of God** in Him.”

Romans 5:9-11 (NLT), “And since we have been **made right in God’s sight** by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God’s condemnation. For since **our friendship with God** was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son. So now we can rejoice in our **wonderful new relationship with God** because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us **friends of God**.”

4. Righteousness becomes our _____.

2 Corinthians 5:15 (NLT), “He died for everyone **so that** those who receive his **new life** will no longer live for **themselves**. Instead, they will **live for Christ**, who died and was raised for them.”

1 Peter 2:24a (NIV), “He himself bore our sins” in his body on the cross, **so that** we might die to sins and **live for righteousness**.”

5. Develop an _____ for righteousness.

Proverbs 16:26 (NIV), “The laborer’s **appetite works** for him; his **hunger drives him on**.”

Hebrews 10:25 (NLT), “And let us not neglect our **meeting together**, as some people do, but encourage one another, **especially now** that the day of his return is drawing near.”

Psalms 42:1-2a (NLT), “As the deer **longs** for streams of water, so I **long** for you, O God. I **thirst** for God, the living God.”

6. Don’t _____ your spiritual appetite.

2 Timothy 2:22 (NASB), “Now **flee from youthful lusts** and **pursue righteousness**, faith, love, and peace with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart.”

Hebrews 11:25 (NIV), “(Moses) chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the **fleeting pleasures of sin**.”

7. Righteousness will _____ you.

Matthew 6:33 (NIV), “But **seek first** his **kingdom** and his **righteousness**, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

John 6:33-35 (NLT), “³³The **true bread** of God is **the one** who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” ³⁴“Sir,” they said, “give us that bread **every day**.” ³⁵Jesus replied, “**I am the bread of life**. Whoever comes to me will **never be hungry** again. Whoever believes in me will **never be thirsty**.”

Proverbs 21:21 (NIV), Whoever **pursues righteousness** and love finds **life, prosperity and honor**.”
