

Go Deeper Life Group Study

THE 2020 SURVIVAL GUIDE

*Chapter 3 – How To Be Happy In A Pandemic
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ICE-BREAKER...

Best or worst experience at summer camp?

GROUP DISCUSSION...

1. **READ Matthew 5:1-12.** How do you see people using the phrase “#blessed”? How does that compare and contrast with the way Jesus uses the word “blessed”?
2. Are you “poor in spirit”? Why or why not? Why do we have to come to the end of ourselves before we can fully follow God?
3. What happens to our souls when we skip the mourning process and move right back to the way things were?
4. What is the difference between “meekness” and “weakness”? Where is an area of your life where God is inviting you to be meek?
5. Who is an example of someone that “hungers and thirsts for righteousness”? What else in this world do you use as a source of fulfillment? Does it satisfy?
6. Why is it so hard to show mercy to those who have wronged us? Why does Jesus expect us to show mercy to those who don’t show mercy to us?
7. Our world needs peacemakers more than ever. What is one thing you can do this week to bring peace where it is needed?
8. How have you been persecuted for following Jesus? If you have not, why do you think that is?

REMIND YOURSELF DAILY...

Happiness and unhappiness are both outcomes of the way a life is lived.

VERSE OF REFLECTION...

Therefore, everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. – Matthew 7:24