ARE YOU HUNGRY?

Text: Matthew 5:6 - "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled."

Point #1. - "BLESSED".

Blessed means happy! :) It's not in our circumstances, it's in our relationship with Him.

Proverbs 16:20(b) - "...whoso trusteth in the Lord, happy is he."

Point #2. - "HUNGER".

Hunger is a healthy sign in our natural and spiritual body. Something dead doesn't hunger. (Get the point)?

Psalms 107:9 - "For He satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness."

Point #3. - "THIRST".

Hunger and thirst often go hand in hand in the natural. Humans can go longer without food than water. Water makes up a lot of our body fluid. Water quenches our dry throat and cells in our body. When we're really thirsty, only water can satisfy. If you're 'thirsty' for more from this world, you will not find satisfaction. Only Jesus can truly satisfy your soul. Only Jesus is the solution to our eternal destiny to get to heaven.

John 7:37 - "...If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink."

(See: John 4: 13 & 14)
Point #4. - "RIGHTeousness".

God is righteous. The Bible says all our righteousness is as filthy rags.


How can we become righteous?

By trusting in Jesus as our Saviour, and letting Him daily cleanse us from all unrighteousness. I John 1:9.


Only because of Jesus, are we ever righteous. When we are saved and keeping our heart free from sin, we are more likely to hear from God. Sin separates.

Psalms 66:18 - "If I regard iniquity (or sin) in my heart, the Lord will not hear me."

Our past is erased, when we truly repent and confess them to Jesus.


I Cor. 1:30 - "made to us righteousness."

I Tim. 6:11 - "follow after righteousness." (II Tim. 2:22)

Ro. 5:17 - "gift of righteousness."

Point #5. - "B E F I L L E D ".

Being filled with what?

A. More POWER. (from the Holy Spirit)
John 14:17 - "...for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you."

B. More BOLDNESS to witness.

Acts 1:8 - "...ye shall receive power ... and ye shall be witnesses."

Acts 4:13 - "when they saw the boldness...they took knowledge of them that they had been with Jesus."

C. More LOVE (for souls & people).

Acts 2: 44 - 47.

Acts 3:6 - "...such as I have, give I thee..."

We cannot give to others what we do not have ourselves. Walk in love and then you can give love.

When we are filled with more of GOD, then we will

1. THINK. - Phil. 4:8 / Phil. 2:5.

2. TALK. - Phil. 3:20 / Col. 4:6.


like God and His Son, Jesus.

The Holy Spirit leads and guides us into all truth.

John 16:13 - "...guide you into all truth."

1 John 2:20 - "...unction from the Holy One."


WHAT IS TRUTH?


God, nor His Word, doesn't lie.

Trust His Word and you can trust Him with your life!
Don't follow the world.

I John 2:15 - "Love not the world…"

It will lead you to hell.

Matthew 7:13 & 14.

Follow Jesus. Let His precious Holy Spirit be your Guide and Teacher.


Read: James 4:7-10.

CLOSING REMARKS:

Remember, Jesus is the "Baptizer" in the Holy Spirit. (Matthew 3:11) Seek Jesus, not tongues. Praise and thank Jesus for who He is, what He's done, and what He's going to do. As you concentrate on worshipping Jesus, He will fill you with the Holy Spirit.

Tongues, is just one evidence of being 'filled with the Spirit'.

The more of Jesus you have, the more His love will operate in your life to reach a lost and dying world.

May you continue to hunger and thirst for more of Him. He will fill you to overflowing with His presence, love and fellowship. Just ask Him now to draw you closer.

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