

## MESSAGE NOTES & SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE WEEK 4 – THOSE WHO HUNGER AND THIRST FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS

## **SCRIPTURE PASSAGES**

Matthew 5:6, 6:33; Ecclesiastes 3:11; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Philippians 3:9; 1 Peter 2:24; Romans 6:13, 10:9, 12:1; 2 Peter 3:13

KEY NOTES	
Jesus came to bring a righteousness that fulfills the of our souls.	of our hearts and the
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How should we then respond?	
• to Christ's kingship.	
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## **DIGGING DEEPER**

- 1. **Read Philippians 3:9.** What are the two types of righteousness we can pursue? Which one does the world seem to be pursuing today? Is it working? Why or why not?
- 2. As we seek righteousness for ourselves and families, how can we discern which type of righteousness we might be pursuing and trusting?
- 3. **Read 2 Corinthians 5:17 & 21.** How does surrendering my life to Christ, in faith, make me righteous before God?
- 4. When I fail to act righteously in my day-to-day life, as a follower of Jesus, why does God still see me as righteous? How should this truth impact my life?
- 5. **Read Romans 6:13.** If every part of me is an instrument of righteousness for God's sake, how does that take place? With those who are following Jesus? With those who are not?
- 6. **Read 2 Peter 3:13.** This world will not be a fully righteous place until Jesus returns. How should that impact how I view and relate to the world around me?
- 7. **Read Matthew 6:33.** This verse is easy to read but hard to put into practice. Why? Because it is so challenging, what do I need to do to fulfill Christ's command?