

Healing Service --- Join us this evening at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary for a worship service dedicated to anyone needing prayers and healing.

Small Group Leader Training --- April 12th at 6 p.m. in Room 3103. If you would like to attend please contact the Discipleship Office at 334-495-6391.

Parents Night Out ---- Enjoy a date night while we enjoy your children! Frazer's Children's Ministry will entertain your children ages birth through 5th grade, Friday, April 15. Elementary-aged kids will enjoy a pizza supper and lots of fun! Due to heavy turnout, you must pre-register online at frazer.church/PNO and pay in advance by April 12; no walk-ins will be accepted.

Mom2Mom: Reaching the Heart of Your Child --- Join us April 13 at 6pm in the East Sanctuary for a special night with guest speaker Ginger Hubbard. Ginger will share advice about parenting preschoolers, including tips on moving beyond the frustrations of disobedience and into a well-balanced approach for raising your children.

SPIRIT --- Make plans to attend SPIRIT April 14th at 6 p.m. in Wesley Hall. Enjoy a delicious \$5 dinner and a concert by the Capitol Sounds Concert Band. The concert will begin at 7. Call Sue Letner for reservations, 279-4998.

Join Frazer's Prayer Ministry --- at the Decision America 2016 Prayer Rally with Franklin Graham. Thursday, April 14 at the State Capitol steps, noon to Ipm. If you would like to ride on the church bus, contact Jan at jan@frazerumc.org. For more information, go to DecisionAmericaTour.com.

19th Annual Frazer Flea Market--- Come by and browse the booths Saturday, May 7 and support Missions. Contact Caroline Wingard at caroline@frazer.church for information on donating items or securing a booth. Items left over will be donated to local charities.

Frazer Students Graduation Dinner & Sunday Ceremony

The Frazer Student Ministry invites any Frazer Senior for the class of 2016 along with two family members to a special dinner Friday, May 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the East Sanctuary. The registration deadline for this dinner is Sunday, April 24. Also, Sunday, May 15, we will honor our high school graduates at the 9:30 Traditional Service and 11:00 Contemporary Service. Please register online at frazer.church/students for both of these special events. For more information, please contact the student ministry office.



SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2016

Messed Up

THE PATH TO GOD THROUGH IMPERFECTION STUDY ON THE BEATITUDES

WEEK 1 - CRYING & BROKEN

WEEK 2 - EMPTY & WEAK

WEEK 3 - GUILTY & HURT

WEEK 4 – DOWN & DIRTY

WEEK 5 – PICKED ON & PUT DOWN

Messed Up The Path to God through Imperfection Week 2-Empty and Weak

The Blessings of Meekness

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth." Matthew 5:5 (NRSV)

Meekness defuses conflict and communicates love.

Believers should never speak evil of anyone, nor be quarrelsome. Instead they should be gentle and show courtesy to everyone." Titus 3:2 (GW)

Meekness is a powerful witness to unbelievers.

"Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect..." 1 Peter 3:15 (NIV)

Meekness makes us like Christ.

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." Matthew 11:28-29 (NIV)

The Blessings of Righteousness

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled." Matthew 5:6 (NRSV)

A Holy Relationship: Being right with God.

"For all have sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. Yet now God in his gracious kindness declares us not guilty. He has done this through Christ Jesus, who has freed us by taking away our sins. For God sent Jesus to take the punishment for our sins and to satisfy God's anger against us. We are made right with God when we believe that Jesus shed his blood, sacrificing his life for us." Romans 3:23-25 (NLT)

"God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ." 2 Corinthians 5:21 (NLT)

A Holy Lifestyle: Living right with others.

"Throw off your old evil nature and former way of life, which is rotten through and through, full of lust and deception. Instead, there must be a spiritual renewal of your thoughts and attitudes. You must display a new nature because you are a new person, created in God's likeness—righteous, holy, and true." Ephesians 4:22-24 (NLT)

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Go Deeper:

- 1. Jesus teaches that the meek are blessed. Meekness does not mean weakness; it means trusting God and not relying on power to force others to do things your way. Who are some people you know who demonstrate meekness? How do you see meekness in Jesus?
- 2. Read Psalm 37:1-9. In a world where evil seems to have great power and strength, why does it require trust in God to believe that the meek will end up in control of the earth?
- 3. Read Matthew 6:31-33. Jesus says that only those who hunger for justice will be satisfied. What are some other things that people "hunger and thirst" for? Do those things ultimately lead to satisfaction? (For example, the person who hungers and thirsts for money is never full, because they never feel like they have enough)
- 4. How do meekness and hunger for justice go together—that is, how does meekness impact the way we seek justice, and how does the drive to make things right impact how we practice meekness?