Matthew: Following the King of Kings

"The Beatitudes"

INTRODUCTION

1. POOR IN SPIRIT

2. THOSE WHO MOURN

3. THE MEEK

4. THE UNSATIABLE

Questions for personal meditation and study

1.	Read through Deuteronomy chapters 27-30. Condense down what God is saying to His people and how is that similar to what Jesus is saying in the beatitudes?
2.	Read Ephesians 2:1-9. How does that relate to what it means to be "poor in spirit?"
3.	Review 1 Corinthians 1:26-31. What does the Spirit teach us about embracing our weakness and what does that have to do with "blessed are those who mourn?"
4.	Pastor said that meekness is seen in how we interact with other people knowing our own spiritual poverty. How is meekness really a strength especially when we are offend or hurt by someone?
5.	Discuss what it means to "hunger and thirst for righteousness." What does he mean by righteousness? How does on stay hungry and thirsty? Look at John 6:35 and Psalm 42:1-2. How does being

hungry and thirsty show up in our lives?