

January 17, 2020

Matthew 6:16-34

Matthew: Following the King of Kings
“Seek First His Kingdom”

INTRODUCTION

1. **KNOWING WHAT’S MOST IMPORTANT**

2. **DOING WHAT’S MOST IMPORTANT**

3. **RESTING IN WHO’S MOST IMPORTANT**

Questions for personal meditation and study

1. Recall a time when you set aside time for fasting. What do you think was accomplished? What did you think about? If you never have fasted with prayer, would you consider doing it? Half a day? Full day? Two days?
2. If you have health concerns, try turning off the TV for a couple of days. Or turn off your cell phone. Create “space” to pray asking God to speak to your heart.
3. Read Luke 3:7-14. John the Baptist lays out what “fruits of repentance” might look like. What “modern” ways could we show the same fruits?
4. What “common sense” arguments does Jesus make to convince us that “laying up” treasures on earth is not God’s will for our lives?
5. What might a person’s life look like if they did serve “mammon” or “money” rather than God first?
6. What kinds of things make you anxious? What “common sense” arguments does Jesus make to suggest that worry is pointless?
7. What does it mean to seek first the Kingdom of God?
8. What does it mean to seek first His righteousness?