

## ***Hunger and Thirst for Righteousness***

Matthew 5:6

### **Sermon Discussion Questions**

**June 11, 2023**

1. When did you recently think that the grass is greener someplace else? And how did the story end?
2. Remember a time in your life when you went after something hard? What was that thing? A weight loss goal, hitting a certain number in your bank account, a house, a certain grade, a relationship? Have you sought after righteousness this way? How can you seek God to change you in this?
3. Have your efforts of hungering and thirsting for righteousness ever ended in the distraction of legalism? What is harder for you to accept; God's free gift of righteousness or God's demand for righteousness? How do you refocus and walk the tension between relying on righteousness that comes through faith but pursuing right-living or righteousness in your daily lives?
4. Do you agree that we are to live righteous lives when we receive the gift of righteousness? Please share your pledge to living a righteous life with your friends.
5. In what area of life do you need to be filled or satisfied? How can the promise Jesus gives change the way we interact with this area of life? Will it lighten or overload the burden you feel?
6. How do you find satisfaction in Jesus or his message about the Kingdom of God? What times with him have you felt this deep sense of fulfillment? Which aspects of his character speak to you a deep satisfaction and purpose? If you have not experienced Jesus in this way, ask him for a hunger or thirst for righteousness and this satisfaction - pray for it right now.