

16 – Luke 6:17-23 – What really matters

Would you rather be ...

... the context of what Jesus is saying.

Blessings and woes

“Blessing” = an inner happiness and contentment in life... the really fortunate ones.

“Woe” = there is a great source of regret or sadness.

... he is unpacking how radically different life as a follower of Jesus should look.

1) “Blessed are the poor”... “Woe to the rich”

Proverbs 30:8

1 Tim 6:17-18

... focus on trusting God in all things and not to be seeking after money in order to bring about self reliance and comfort.

For us today

What brings you comfort?

2) “Blessed are you who hunger” “Woe to you who are well fed”

... some things Jesus is not saying.

... what is Jesus saying?

For us today

... what I look to for satisfaction?

3) “Blessed are you who weep” “Woe to those who laugh now”

... the good news of the kingdom, can bring great sadness.

For us today

What do you weep for?

... what is it that makes you happy?

4) “Blessed are you when people hate you” “Woe when everyone speaks well of you”

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... the disciples might adjust their message so that people like what they say

For us today

Do you keep quiet about things Jesus has said just to keep the peace?

The only person you need to impress as you serve God is God. And he is impressed when we seek to clearly and faithfully teach his word.