

Discussion Questions - 9/26/21

Mercy & an Undivided Heart (Matthew 5:7-8)

Here are three basic questions you can always ask in any bible study:

- What does this text teach us about God?
- What does this text teach us about ourselves?
- If this text is true, what should we do to obey this teaching? This answer ought to be specific in that it can be clearly measured.

Here are some specific questions concerning the sermon text:

- Since God has given us mercy we of all people should be merciful to everyone. Mercy is attempting to alleviate the consequences of sin. The Good Samaritan is a great example of showing mercy.
 - How do you struggle with showing mercy to broken people?
- Are you tempted to get judgmental to those who struggle with sin?
 - How do you demonstrate that lack of mercy?
- Are you tempted to avoid broken people knowing that you ought to be merciful?
- If we understood God's mercy more deeply, we know that we have received it and that we will receive it in full in the future kingdom?
 - How does our lack of mercy to others undermine our own experience of God's mercy today?
- Pure in heart means primarily an undivided heart.
 - How does having a divided heart cripple our ability to see God?
- What are the most likely ways that divides your heart before God?
- How does knowing that we will one day see God, help us to have a less divided heart today?