

Today's Message

Our Heavenly Father, please help me to make others happy, not seeking my own profit but the profit of many that they might be saved. As I grow in all things including faith, and knowledge, and in diligence, and in your love for us, help me to show grace. Not because you command it but because others need it, and to prove the sincerity of your love. For you know the grace of Jesus, that even though he was rich, yet for our sakes he became poor, that we through his poverty might be rich. Thank you for your grace, Lord! In Jesus name amen.

Matthew 5:10-17

- **10** And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples.
- **11** And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master with publicans and sinners?
- **12** But when Jesus heard that, he said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick.
- **13** But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.
- **14** Then came to him the disciples of John, saying, Why do we and the Pharisees fast oft, but thy disciples fast not?
- **15** And Jesus said unto them, Can the children of the bridechamber mourn, as long as the bridegroom is with them? but the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken from them, and then shall they fast.
- **16** No man putteth a piece of new cloth unto an old garment, for that which is put in to fill it up taketh from the garment, and the rent is made worse.
- **17** Neither do men put new wine into old bottles: else the bottles break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved.

Dear Lord please give me clarity and the strength to make new habits and learn your ways. You know my path. Please guide me and keep me. Help me to have a willing mind and accept what you have given me and what you have not. That my abundance may help others. Thank you, God, for helping me and guiding me. In Jesus name amen.



Quiz:

What was Jesus called to do?

What happens when I fast?

Do I need to put away the old to make room for the Lord?

Do I need to break reliance on the culture and systems of this world to make space for Him and His ways?

Recommended reading:

1 Corinthians 10:33 (prayer) 2 Corinthians 8 (prayer) Psalm 33:13