

## **Questions for Interaction and Discussion**

1. What are the various ways that non-disciples attempt to find happiness? Did you spend time in any of those pursuits? Share your experience.
2. As you look through The Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5-7) identify teachings of Jesus that indicate He is more interested in internals rather than externals.
3. What comfort do you find in the Beatitudes beginning with, “Blessed are the poor in spirit”?
4. Why is it significant that the poverty of this Beatitude is “abject and utter poverty” not just someone who is a little down and out?
5. How difficult is it for you to come to grips with the fact that you are “spiritually bankrupt”? What makes it difficult?
6. How does it make you feel when you hear grace described as “God’s spiritual welfare program”?
7. Is the Kingdom of Heaven something that is past, present, or future? Support your answer with Scripture.
8. Practically speaking, how does a disciple of Jesus Christ glorify God?
9. What can you do this week to live out the implications of grace in your life?