

Kingdom - Legalism ...*Matthew 5:21-26*

1. WHO CAN ACHIEVE IT?

Matt. 19:23-26, Rich young ruler

Matt. 5:20, Righteousness surpasses the Scribes and Pharisees

Matt. 5:48, Be perfect as your heavenly father is perfect

2. GOD'S WAY

REPENT – SURRENDER OF WILL – FOLLOW THE HOLY SPIRIT

PURE OF HEART:

I Tim. 1:5, Love from a Pure Heart, Good Conscience and a Sincere Faith

Matt. 5:8, Blessed are the Pure in Heart

SINGLE MINDED: James 4:8 Purify your heart you double minded

COME AS A CHILD: Matt. 18:3

3. AS WE WALK IN THE KINGDOM:

IT REPRIORITIZES OUR VALUES

IT GIVES PURPOSE AND MOTIVATION FOR OUR ACTIONS.

NOT A GROUP OF LEGALISTIC RULES

4. ANGER: Matt: 5:21-25

IS IT EVER OK?

TYPES OF ACTIONS FROM DEVALUING PEOPLE

DEFINITIONS:

THUMOS:

ORGE:

CONTEMPT: "RACA"

RUINED MORAL REPUTATION: "YOU FOOL"

5. TWO ILLUSTRATIONS OF HEART DIRECTED KINGDOM ACTIONS:

VALUE PEOPLE OVER THINGS AND SITUATIONS

PRESENTING AN OFFERING: (VERTICAL)

GOING TO COURT: (HORIZONTAL)

THESE ARE NOT LEGALISTIC:

"Be at Peace with all men as much as you are able".

Group Discussion

1. Describe the relationship between you and your little children. (If you haven't had any what do you imagine it would be?) How does that relate to you and God? What things in your life does the Lord want you to surrender to Him and trust Him with, and what steps has He called you to take to align your life with His will?
2. What does Lordship mean in your life in reference to Surrendered Will and following the Holy Spirit's leading?
3. What areas have you found victory in being single minded? Are there any areas you feel God's desire for you to trust Him?
4. Describe the types of anger and how they might be seen in relationships...
5. Are there any areas needing confession and surrender in your personal life?
 - Reactive Anger...
 - Nursing a grudge...
 - Contempt...
 - Gossip or destroying others reputations or name...
6. What's the difference between Kingdom Actions and Legalistic Actions?
7. Is there anything from tonight's discussion that spoke to you personally? In what way(s) does it affect your life? How will you directly and specifically apply it in your life today?

Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.

(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)

How do the **5 Principles for the Christian Man**, help equip you to apply this to your life?

Discuss your answer with your group...

- Prayer (*Relationship*)
- God's Word (*Knowledge and Understanding*)
- Worship (*Adoration*)
- Fellowship (*Encouragement and Accountability*)
- Service (*Caring for Others, Action to your Belief*)