

Jesus answered, "Let it be this way for now. We should do all things that are God's will." So John agreed to baptize Jesus.

Matthew 3:15 NCV



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"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied."
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1. Who are the blessed?

A. Those who hunger and thirst.

1) What is "**hunger**"?

B) In a literal sense it means "to starve, to be hungry"

(3) For the lack of resources *2 Corinthians 9:9; Matthew 6:25*

D) In a metaphorical sense it means "To crave earnestly, to seek with eager desire".

(1) The comparison is to an infant (*1 Peter 2:2*).

2) What is "**thirst**"?

A) In a literal sense it means "to suffer thirst, or suffer from thirst"

(2) As the rich man (*Luke 16:24*).

C) In a figuratively sense it means "Those who are said to thirst who painfully feel their want of and eagerly long for, whose things by which the soul is refreshed, supported, and strengthen."

2. What are they seeking?

A. Righteousness

2) What is "**righteousness**"?

C) "The character or quality of being right or just."

D) Righteousness is an attribute of God and is equivalent to His "Faithfulness and His Truthfulness" (*Romans 3:5*).

E) It is through His righteousness that He teaches us how serious He is about sin (*Romans 3:25-26*).

F) His righteousness is all that confirms to His will (*Matthew 3:15*).

3. Why pursue righteousness?

A. To be filled

2) What does "**filled**" mean?

C) In a literal sense it means "to be filled with food"

D) In a metaphorical sense it means "To be filled with spiritual food"

(1) Getting feed from the spiritual food (the Word of God) is essential for the person who knows he/she depends from God.

(2) The soul desires Jesus (*Psalms 107:9; John 4:14; 6:35; 7:37; 21:15-17; Revelation 21:6; 22:17*).

Conclusion:

Are you hungry and thirsty for God's Righteousness? If you are, are you willing to comply with God's demands?

Questions to Meditate Upon

1. Have you experience hunger or thirst for God's righteousness?

Yes No

1a. If, you answer **Yes**, please explain how.

1b. If, you answer **No**, please explain how this has help you to understand His will?

2. Please read *1 Peter 2:2*, can you see the importance of the desire? Please explain your answer.

3. Please read *Luke 16:24*, can you see the importance of the desire? Please explain your answer.

4. Please read *Romans 3:25-26*, can you see how God is neither indifferent to sin nor regards it lightly? Please explain your answer.

5. Are you seeking His righteousness? Please explain how.

6 Are you "filled" with righteousness?

Yes No if you answer "**Yes**" skip number 7

7 Do you want to be "filled" with righteousness?

Yes No if you answer "**No**" please explain.

8 Do you want to be baptized for the forgiveness of your sins and be filled with God's righteousness?

Yes No if you answer "**No**" please explain.