

The Beatitudes
“The Meek”
The Week of April 28, 2024
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“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth...”

- What does it mean to be “meek”?

- Why is meekness often considered an unattractive quality?

- Think of a gentle and humble person you know. Do you find them attractive? Why? How is God glorified in their meekness?

- Later in **Matthew 11:28-29**, Jesus describes Himself using the same word for “meek”, sometimes translated “gentle”. Why would Jesus describe Himself as “meek”?

- The quietness, openness, and vulnerability of meekness is very beautiful—and very painful. It goes against all that we are in our sinful nature. It requires supernatural help. Read **James 1:19-21**. What does James teach us about how God works meekness into His people?

- What does it mean to “**inherit the earth**”?

- Read **Roman 8:16-17**. What does God teach us about what it means for the meek to inherit the earth?

- Pray together in light of this week’s beatitude. Christ-like meekness is marked by submission to the Lord, and confidence that He loves you. Ask God: Is there any place in my life where I am free to die to self because I know I belong to Jesus?