

August 16th, 2020

Dr. Jacob T. King, Senior Pastor

Sermon Title: "Meekness is not Weakness"

Series: "Above the Noise"

Text: Matthew 5:5 (ESV)

"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."

The Phillips Translation: "Happy are those who claim nothing, for the whole earth will belong to them!"

NASB: "Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the earth."

Psalm 37:5-11 (ESV)

⁵ Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act. ⁶ He will bring forth your righteousness as the light, and your justice as the noonday. ⁷ Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices! ⁸ Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath! Fret not yourself; it tends only to evil. ⁹ For the evildoers shall be cut off, but those who wait for the Lord shall inherit the land. ¹⁰ In just a little while, the wicked will be no more; though you look carefully at his place, he will not be there. ¹¹ But the meek shall inherit the land and delight themselves in abundant peace.

I. The Actions of Meekness

- 1. Meekness is trusting in God. (vs. 5b)**
- 2. Meekness is committing your way to God. (vs.5a)**
- 3. Meekness is waiting on God. (vs.7a)**
- 4. Meekness is not dependent on the actions of others. (vs.7b)**

II. The Applications of Meekness

- 1. Recognize the power and wonder of God.**

"I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned."
(Exodus 3:3)

- 2. Remember our place in God's plan.**

Hebrews 11:24-29

²⁴ By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵ choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶ He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. ²⁷ By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. ²⁸ By

faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them.

²⁹ By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned.

3. Respond to God with a teachable spirit.

4. Resist the temptation for vindication. (Numbers 12:1-4)

“Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses because of the Cushite woman whom he had married, for he had married a Cushite woman.² And they said, “Has the Lord indeed spoken only through Moses? Has he not spoken through us also?” And the Lord heard it. ³ Now the man Moses was very meek, more than all people who were on the face of the earth. ⁴ And suddenly the Lord said to Moses and to Aaron and Miriam, “Come out, you three, to the tent of meeting.” And the three of them came out.