

More Than *happy*

What's the Difference?

Scripture Texts

Matthew 6:19-34

Connect

What clothes do you have in your closet that you can't or won't wear?

What did God teach you during the message this Sunday? Did anything in particular stand out?

Engage

This week's sermon was on joy versus happiness. It outlined three points for having joy: 'Stop asking why me', 'Start asking what now?', 'Continue asking who matters' and concluded by asking how do you fill in the blank on 'For me to live is _____.' What do you worry about? How does that hint at what you are living for?

Read Matthew 6:19-34

In our society, how is success generally measured? From what sources do you feel pressured to meet this standard?

What alternatives does Jesus provide with respect to:

Treasures (vv.19-22)

Desires (vv.22-23)

Masters (v.24)

If Jesus were to analyze your life, what would he say your "treasure" is?

What is the connection between the 'eye' and the 'body'? What does it mean to have 'good eyes'? 'Bad eyes'?

What does worrying indicate about our belief about God?

According to Jesus what are we to seek in place of food and clothes? What are the results from seeking this?

Apply

Considering this past week, is your "bank" on earth or in heaven? What do you need to do to change accounts? Who had been your master lately?

What is one thing you can do in the coming week to "seek first his kingdom and his righteousness"?

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