

Happy Are the Meek

This evening's Scripture Reading:
Philippians 2:1-4



INTRODUCTION

1. Matthew 5:1-5
2. How _____ this seems in reality!
 - a. Animal kingdom: _____
 - b. Bird Kingdom: _____
 - c. Among humans: _____

DISCUSSION

I. However You Define Meekness; It Comes Highly Praised in Scripture!

- A. Passages that promote meekness...
 1. Colossian 3:12 _____
 2. James 1:21 _____
 3. James 3:13 _____
 4. 1 Peter 3:15 _____
- B. Who best displays this quality?
 1. _____ (Numbers 12:3)
 2. _____ (Matthew 11:19)
 3. They were meek, but not _____!
- C. Based on these examples we can see _____
 1. It is not _____
 2. It is not _____ (Acts 16:37)
 3. It is not _____ (Ephesians 4:26a)

II. A Difficult Greek Word to translate

- A. Greek: "praus"
 1. Aristotle: "happy medium between too much and too little _____"
 2. Barclay: "always angry at _____, never angry at _____"
- B. A second standard usage: _____
 1. The meek are _____
 2. The meek recognize _____
- C. The root picture of "meek"
 1. An animal _____
 2. Powerful, yet _____
 3. The meek person is not _____, he is _____ (Proverbs 16:32)
 4. The meek person is _____ controlled!

III. Why Is the Meek Person Blessed, Happy?

- A. Because they "shall _____"
 1. Psalm 37:1-11 _____
 2. This obviously depends on our _____ with our Creator
- B. "Possess the earth" in the sense of _____ (appreciate the beauties of _____)
- C. Above all, the meek and only the meek, shall inherit the " _____"
 1. 2 Peter 3:10-14 _____
 2. Revelation 21:1-7 _____