

## **Blessed are the Poor in Spirit Gathering Group Questions**

### **Ice Breaker:**

How old were you when you first trusted God to lead your life? Who influenced you the most to make this move trust God?

### **Question #1:**

- What does it mean to say that someone is “poor in Spirit”?
- What is the opposite of being “poor in Spirit”?
- How does judgment of others stand in the way of being poor in Spirit?

### **Question #2:**

- Have you been exposed to teachings in the church that have discounted the relevance of the Sermon on the Mount, as Greg mentioned?
- How has that influenced the way you understood the Sermon on the Mount?

### **Question #3:**

- How is brokenness related to being “poor in Spirit”?
- What are things in the world that fight against embracing brokenness?
- What are things in your life that fight against embracing brokenness?

### **Question #4:**

- How can embracing your brokenness lead to being “blessed”?
- How have you experienced this blessing from brokenness in the past?

### **Question #5:**

- What is one area of self-reliance that the Spirit is leading you to renounce?
- How can you fight that self-reliance and move into brokenness?