



Sermon Discussion Guide

5.24.26 Message | Tyler Myers | Luke 6:20-26

Note: This discussion guide is designed for both group and individual use. While some questions are written with group discussion in mind, individuals can still use this guide for personal reflection, journaling, and prayer. Simply adapt any group-oriented questions for your own study time.

LOOK BACK - Relationship & Accountability (~15% of your discussion)

→ Share Life

- What's something simple you're thankful for right now?
- What's been taking most of your attention lately?
- Is there anyone in your community who needs help right now, and how can our group come alongside them?

→ Follow Up From Last Time

- As you think back to last week, what stood out or stayed with you?
- Was there anything you felt invited to try, practice, or pay attention to this week? How did that go?
- Did that show up in any conversations, choices, or moments this week?
- Where did you see God at work - even in small ways?

LOOK UP - Scripture & Discovery (~60%)

→ Read (twice, in different translations)

- Read the text you are studying this week in the ESV out loud.
- Read the text you are studying this week a second time in an alternate version.

→ Retell

- In your own words, summarize what the author is saying in this passage.

Key Scripture (ESV)

And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said: “Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. “Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied. “Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh. “Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets. “But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. “Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry. “Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep. “Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.

- *Luke 6:20-26*

MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS

- Jesus often values things differently than the world does, calling people to rethink what success truly means.
 - The Kingdom of God notices and blesses what the world often overlooks or dismisses.
 - Jesus warns against building our lives on comfort, approval, possessions, or temporary security.
 - Following Jesus is not just about avoiding sin, but about learning to trust Him enough to live differently.
 - It is possible to carry the name “Christian” while still allowing culture to shape our priorities and decisions more than Jesus does.
 - Jesus’ words are meant to challenge, mature, and reshape us—not simply comfort us.
 - Spiritual growth often begins when we stop “playing not to lose” and start fully trusting Jesus with our lives.
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CONVERSATION STARTER

Growing up, what did you think made someone “successful”? Has that definition changed for you over time?

DISCUSS THE MESSAGE (Does your group understand the message?)

- What did you like about this passage?
- Did you find anything difficult about this passage?
- What does this passage teach about God?
- What does this passage teach about people?

THINK DEEPER (Does your group understand the passage?)

- In **Luke 6:20**, Jesus looks directly at His disciples before speaking. What stands out to you about the people Jesus is addressing in this passage?
 - Jesus contrasts the “blessed” with the “woes” throughout these verses. What differences do you notice between the two groups?
 - In this passage, Jesus speaks positively about things like hunger, weeping, and rejection. Why do you think those statements would have sounded surprising to people listening?
 - Jesus also warns people who are rich, comfortable, full, or highly praised. What do you think He is cautioning against?
 - The message emphasized that following Jesus means redefining success. Where do you see culture shaping people’s definition of success today?
 - The sermon talked about “playing not to lose” versus “playing to win.” What do you think that mindset can look like in someone’s relationship with Jesus?
 - Jesus’ words in this passage are both comforting and challenging. What part of this teaching feels most encouraging to you? What part feels most challenging?
 - The series prayer was: “Lord, mature the way I interact with You.” What do you think spiritual maturity in your relationship with Jesus looks like right now?
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BRIDGE QUESTION

Based on this passage, what kinds of responses does it invite? What direction does it point our lives toward?

LOOK FORWARD – Application & Mission (~25%)

→ **Inside Me**

- Where do I need to bring my sin into the light instead of hiding it?
- What is one concrete step of obedience I can take this week to pursue Jesus in that area?

→ **Who Else?**

- Who might need encouragement that grace is real and change is possible?
- How can I move toward them with love and truth this week?

→ **Pray Together**

- Pray for clarity to see Jesus more clearly and follow Him faithfully.
- Pray for strength to resist anything that competes for our allegiance and next steps.
- Pray for courage and grace to take the next faithful step that God is inviting us into.