CHARITY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2023 "CHANGE YOUR ATTITUDE!"

ASSINGMENT: READ: MATTHEW 5:1-12

This Wednesday, November 1, 2023 we begin the month of Thanksgiving with a lesson from Jesus on the proper attitude of Christians. This is an importance lesson and reminder for all Christians. Let's learn together.

Pastor Rivers teaches that context is the most important way to understand scripture. Context is what happened before, during and after the text. Please read Matthew 5:1-12 to prepare to answer and discuss the following questions:

QUESTIONS:

1. Where in the Bible do we find the first recorded sermon by Jesus and what is it called?

- 2. This sermon by Jesus is called the Beatitudes. What does the word beatitude mean and why is the meaning so important to understanding this text and the sermon?
- 3. When you read the Beatitudes in Matthew 5:3-12, do you think any Christian can live up to such high standards?
- 4. Why do you think Jesus turned our value system upside down in Matthew 5:3-12?
- 5. What do you think Jesus is teaching us in Verse 4 about being in mourning ourselves and comforting those among us who are going through mourning right now?
- 6. What attitude is Jesus teaching us in Verse 6, in the NLT, that we can use today to develop an attitude of fighting against injustice and encouraging an attitude being hungry for justice?
- 7. Read Verse 9 in the NIV or NKJV and tell us what you think is the difference between peacemakers and peacekeepers?
- 8. Read Verses 10-12 and tell us how or why should any Christian "be glad" to be persecuted, insulted, mocked, and lied on?