

Mar 5 (Small Group) Matthew 6:1-4 "Kingdom Giving"

Read Matthew 6:1-4.

1. Jesus assumes that prayer, fasting, and almsgiving will be practiced by all religious people. What do these practices reveal about our faith?
2. Scripture claims that God knows all our motivations, and that those motivations matter to God (see Jer 17:10, 1 John 3:20-21). How does that make you feel? Do you think it's possible to act with pure motivations?
3. What was the main thing that stood out to you from the sermon on Sunday?
4. What were the two dangers that the sermon associated with the risk of giving? How do we avoid those dangers?
5. Why do you think we don't like admitting need, especially material need? Where in your life have you resisted asking for help?
6. Discuss how as people of faith imitating Christ, as Kingdom-Givers, we can model a way of giving and receiving that allows us to see each other as brothers and sisters, all recipients of the grace of God.