

GETTING READY FOR
THE END
OF THE WORLD

Part 6: Clueless

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Matthew 25:31-46

³¹ "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. ³² All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³ He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

³⁴ "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶ I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

³⁷ "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? ³⁸ When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? ³⁹ When

did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'

⁴⁰ "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

⁴¹ "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴² For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.'

⁴⁴ "They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?'

⁴⁵ "He will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.'

⁴⁶ "Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

The Bible says:

1. There are sheep and there are goats.
2. Both the sheep and the goats are clueless.

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3. I treat God the same way I treat those who are:

- a. Hungry
- b. Thirsty
- c. Naked
- d. Sick
- e. Imprisoned

4. The King remembers small acts of kindness that we have forgotten.

Next Steps

This weekend we begin our annual CTK Blessing – one of the simplest ways you can do something for those among us who will find themselves as “one of the least of these” this coming year. The Blessing is an opportunity for the people of CTK to give toward a fund that helps people in our midst who encounter desperate need. Whether it’s a medical emergency, a debilitating illness, a tragic loss, or any other seemingly impossible situation, The Blessing makes hope possible for people who have nowhere else to turn.

For the next three weekends, you’ll find a green envelope in your program. If God prompts you to give toward The Blessing, please use that envelope when you give.

Small Group Questions



1. Has anyone ever impacted your life with a small act of kindness? What was it, and what was the impact for you?
2. Have you ever impacted someone’s life with a small act of kindness? What was your motivation?
3. Let’s be honest. It’s easy to judge people who are hungry, thirsty, naked, sick or imprisoned. What kind of discernment do you use to make sure a need is real before you help? Do you think Jesus even calls us to judgment or discernment when it comes to these needs?
4. What kinds of “righteous acts” do you think the King values and notices?
5. How has this series affected the way you view the end of the world?
6. How can we pray for you today?