

## OPPORTUNITIES



### June 5, potluck at 6PM, worship and the meeting at 6:45PM

Members and attendees are encouraged to join us for our Annual Congregational Meeting. Bring a dish to share for the potluck; however, if you're not able to bring a dish, please come anyway as we always have plenty to share! During the meeting, we'll welcome new members and vote on the budget and officer candidates. This morning in the Atrium during the 11:00 worship service, you can meet the new elder candidates and ask any questions you might have about the proposed 2017-18 budget. You may also pick up a copy of the proposed budget at the Connect Center.



Join the Children's Ministry Team during June and July! Serving is super simple as the Children's Ministry staff prepares all the lessons and supplies ahead of time. You can select the Sundays that work for you. Sign up at the Student Ministries Center in the foyer, or on the Events page at [parkviewchurch.org](http://parkviewchurch.org).



Be sure to pick up a Summer Ministry & Event Guide at the Connect Center in the foyer this morning! Inside you will find our upcoming classes and events including our NEW Summer Fun Nights!

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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For more information on Parkview ministries and events, please visit the Connect Center in the Foyer or visit our website at: [www.parkviewchurch.org](http://www.parkviewchurch.org).

## POWER UNDER CONTROL

Series: Beatitudes

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"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth."

Matthew 5:5

### I. WHAT IS MEEKNESS?

Tied up in the word "meek" are the dual concepts of:

- 1) Power under control
- 2) Submission to an authority greater than self

#### Moses:

Now the man Moses was very meek, more than all people who were on the face of the earth.

Numbers 12:3

#### David:

Leave him alone, and let him curse, for the LORD has told him to. It may be that the LORD will look on the wrong done to me, and that the LORD will repay me with good for his cursing today."

2 Samuel 16:11b-12

#### Jesus:

Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Matthew 11:29

### II. WHY IS MEEKNESS IMPORTANT IN MY LIFE?

Why should we try to live any of the Beatitudes?

- 1) We don't live them to earn salvation, but Jesus died for us so that we'd be able to live out the Beatitudes and the Sermon on the Mount as a new creation living under the power of the Holy Spirit.

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

Titus 2:11-14

- 2) Meekness is virtually impossible to live out in the power of one's inner self.
- 3) The more we live and practice the Beatitudes in the power of the Holy Spirit, the more we shall experience the blessings which accompany the Gospel.
- 4) The more we live out the Beatitudes in the power of the Holy Spirit, the more unlike the world we will look, and we will present to our world a picture of Jesus and the Gospel that the people around our lives desperately need!

### III. WHEN SHOULD I MANIFEST MEEKNESS IN LIFE?

A. When someone serves you, be \_\_\_\_\_ not \_\_\_\_\_.

Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, **Philippians 2:4-5**

B. When someone disappoints you, be \_\_\_\_\_ not \_\_\_\_\_.

As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. **Romans 14:1**

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. **Galatians 6:1-2**

C. When someone disagrees with you, be \_\_\_\_\_ without \_\_\_\_\_.

How do you handle disagreeable people?

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ in fear.
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ in anger.
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ in love.

D. When someone corrects you, be \_\_\_\_\_ not \_\_\_\_\_.

Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; **James 1:19**

The purpose in a man's heart is like deep water, but a man of understanding will draw it out. **Proverbs 20:5**

Poverty and disgrace come to him who ignores instruction, but whoever heeds reproof is honored. **Proverbs 13:18**

E. When someone hurts you, be an \_\_\_\_\_ not a \_\_\_\_\_.

Repay no one evil for evil... overcome evil with good. **Romans 12:17a, 21b**

Whoever is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city. **Proverbs 16:32**

- Biblical definition of meekness: power under control and submission to an authority greater than self.
- Your emotions are controlled either by CIRCUMSTANCES or by CHARACTER.

### IV. WHAT ARE THE RESULTS OF MEEKNESS?

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth." **Matthew 5:5**

for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control. **2 Timothy 1:7**