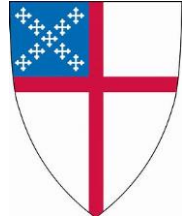
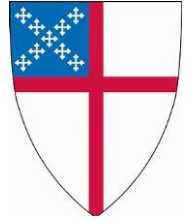


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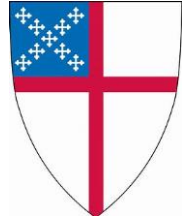
Bible Study 8



Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, they will be filled

Righteousness

- In the Bible, this word usually refers to the right relationship with God.
 - It can also mean - Justice and Justification
- In Luke chapter 18, the Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax collector, the tax collector went home “justified” – meaning having established a right relationship with God.
- In the New Testament, Joseph, the earthly father of Jesus, is described ‘Righteous’.



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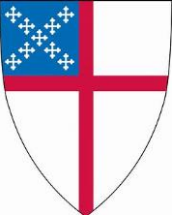
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Righteousness (cont.)

- Hebrew word 'Mishpat' (Justice) is used more than 200 times in the Old Testament.
- The word means; to treat people equitably or giving people their rights.

Hunger

- Desire for food. Different kinds of hunger:
 - The hunger for Truth
 - The hunger for Love
 - The hunger for knowledge
 - The hunger to belong
 - The hunger for justice
 - The hunger of the imagination
 - The hunger of the mind
 - The hunger for significance



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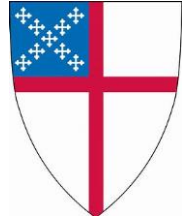
Hunger (cont.)

- John 6:35 “Then Jesus declared, *“I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”*”

Thirst

- Meaning here can be a spiritual desire; Jesus meets the soul’s thirst for water.
- The story of the woman at the well: Jesus offering the woman – living water. (John 4:13; 6:35;7:37)
- Revelation 7:16,17 “Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst”.

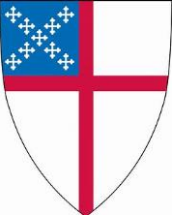
Bible Study 8C



“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall be shown mercy”

Word Study on Mercy

- God’s mercy is His tender-hearted, loving compassion for His people.
- Mercy in Hebrew:
 - **Racham:** *to love or have compassion. Psalm 116:5*
 - **Kapporeth:** *“ransom” and it is associated with ‘mercy seat’ Exodus 25:22*
 - **Hesed:** *goodness, kindness or mercifulness Psalm 18:25*



Bible Study 8D

“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall be shown mercy”

- A New Definition of Mercy by Ralph Jacobson
 - “Mercy is God’s unfairness” If God is to take into consideration our shortcomings and our blemishes, we will be nowhere.
 - But then, God has to be unfair to show us mercy.
- The deference between Mercy and Grace
 - **Mercy is *not getting* what we deserve.**
 - **Grace is getting what we *do not deserve*.**