



## #relief

July 6 & 7, 2013

[Matthew 5:4](#)

<sup>4</sup> *Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.* (Matthew 5:4 NIV)

### Consider & Discuss

1. How would you explain the concept that we are all “broken” to someone who has never considered it before or doesn’t believe it?
2. Do you think some people are more “broken” than others?
3. What do you think are the biggest obstacles standing in the way of people coming to grips with their broken condition?
4. When was the last time you “mourned” because of your broken condition? How did that time of “mourning/regret” work? What did you do? Was it beneficial?
5. How do you think an Alcoholics Anonymous type of approach (where people introduce themselves each week as broken, self-centered, etc.) would be received in a church setting?
6. Do you think we’ll ever be “fixed” or are we “broken” for life?
7. What are some practical steps we can take to find healing from our brokenness?

### Live It

1. Think through, and discuss with a trusted friend, some of the ramifications of what being broken and living in a broken world means in everyday life. Where do you see your brokenness?
2. Read [1 Timothy 1:15-17](#) and think about why Paul would say this about himself. Then prayerfully consider how it applies to you.