

THE BEATITUDES

Matthew 5:1-12

BLESSED ARE:

#	Mt. 5 Verses	CHARACTER QUALITY	INSIGHT	MEANING	ACTION	RESULT	BLESSING
1	3	The poor in spirit	See as God sees	All our stuff (treasure) is trash to God	See my sin as God as God sees. Remove the trash, repent and get clean	Clean Heart	Theirs is the kingdom of heaven
2	4	Those who mourn	Feel as God feels	Feel what God feels about our sinful spiritual condition	Our heart must break with the things that break the heart of God Broken heart	Soft Heart	They shall be comforted
3	5	The gentle (meek)	His meekness - Power under control (Jesus)	Not our will but His will be done	Remove the self-stuff. Get humble before God	Teachable	They shall inherit the earth
4	6	Those who hunger and thirst for righteousness	His righteousness can be ours	Only God's righteousness will satisfy our emptiness	Work to stay hungry. Desire to change and be like Him	Filled with Him	They shall be satisfied
5	7	The merciful	He showed us mercy first – He paid the price	We show mercy when we are filled with Him	1. Let go what's owed 2. Show mercy when others are struggling	Mercy Flows and is willing to pay the price	They shall receive mercy
6	8	The pure in heart	His holiness - A pure heart is not natural or normal	Only in cooperation with Him can we walk in purity	A pure heart is cleaned up and filled up	Intimacy with God	They shall see God
7	9	The peacemakers	There is no peace without purity	You cannot be a peacemaker without a clean pure heart	1. See the deeper needs of others 2. Don't just let it go	Pays the personal price for peace	They shall be called sons of God
8	10-12	Those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness	He blesses persecution for righteousness	Not all persecution brings blessing	Rejoice when we are persecuted	Purifies us and pays rewards	Theirs is the kingdom of heaven