

“The Beatitudes”
Part 4
Matt. 5:3-12

Intro: The blessed life of those who belong to God’s kingdom all begins with the characteristic of “poor in spirit.”

Isaiah 6:5-6

- All those who belong to God’s Kingdom have the Kings life within them.
 Luke 17:21; Romans 6:4
- You cannot begin the Christian life without becoming “poor in spirit,” which God does by His grace and power.
 Acts 2:37; 1 Peter 1:23
- You cannot now seek to live the Christian life without remaining in “poor in spirit.”
 Romans 7:25; James 4:6
- So what is “poor in spirit?” it’s living in recognition of your own unworthiness before God that focuses you on attributing to God all honor, praise, gratitude, worship devotion, submission, authority and obedience he alone deserves.
- So happy and content is the soul that belongs to God’s kingdom.
- Those who walk in the true humility God brought us to in our salvation: “Mourn over their sin.”
 Psalm 51:3-4
- They shall be comforted.
 2 Cor. 7:8-11; Psalm 51:1-2, 6-13
- Happy and content is their soul.
 Psalm 32:1-2, 10-11
- Blessed are the meek (gentle)
 - What is meant by meek (gentle)
 James 1:21; 3:13; 1 Peter 3:15; Psalm 45:4
 1 Peter 3:4; 2 Cor. 10:1; Matt. 11:29
 1 Cor. 4:21; Phil. 4:5; Heb. 5:2
 2 Tim. 2:24-26; Gal. 6:1
 Gal. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3
 1 Peter 2:21-23; 1 Tim. 6:11
 - They shall inherit the earth
 Psalm 37:1-11, 29; Romans 4:13
 Isaiah 60:21; Phil. 4:10-14
 2 Cor. 6:10; Eph. 3:6
 - Blessed are they
 Psalm 25:13
 Psalm 37:22