



Matthew: Portraits of the King - Week 6  
*Teachings of the King*  
**"The Blessed Life"**

**Matthew 5:1-12 (NIV)**

*Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, <sup>2</sup> and he began to teach them. He said:*

<sup>3</sup> *"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

<sup>4</sup> *Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.*

<sup>5</sup> *Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.*

<sup>6</sup> *Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.*

<sup>7</sup> *Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.*

<sup>8</sup> *Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.*

<sup>9</sup> *Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.*

<sup>10</sup> *Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

<sup>11</sup> *"Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.*

**Blessed:** The state of being truly happy, flourishing and satisfied.

1. "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."
  - The blessing of being desperately dependent.
2. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."
  - The blessing of being deeply convicted over sin.
3. "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth."
  - The blessing of being fully yielded in submission.
4. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled."
  - The blessing of being a new creation with a new insatiable appetite.
5. "Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy."
  - The blessing of being filled with mercy.
6. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God."
  - The blessing of being someone who gets to see God move in miraculous ways.
7. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."
  - The blessing of being a bridge builder.
8. "Blessed are those who are persecuted, insulted, and lied about for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."
  - The blessing of building a testimony in the midst of trials.