

The Beatitudes

I. Mountaintop Experience vs. 12-19

(Matt 4:23-25, Exo 19:18-20, 24:3-4, Deu 32:39, Psa 103:2-3, Luk 5:23-24, Joel 2:32)

II. Blessings for the Faithful vs 20-23

(Isaiah 61:1-3, Rev 2:8-11, Psa 146:5-7, Isa 25:4-8, Jer 31:10-14, 2Ch 36:15-16, Jhn 15:18-20, 2Ti 4:3-4, Rev 2:7-3:21)

III. Woe to the Worldly vs 24-26

(Luk 1:51-53, 16:10-13, 18:24-27, Gal 1:6-10, I Co 1:18)

Conclusion: _____

Questions to facilitate discussion, reflection and fellowship.

- 1. Was there any part of the sermon that stood out or requires clarification?**
- 2. What from the sermon provides an example of, or of living for, Christ?**
- 3. Jesus' life contains many instances of reenacting important scenes from the Old Testament. What examples can you think of, and what do these moments tell us about who Jesus is?**
- 4. Have you had to make sacrificial choices to be poor, or hungry, or sorrowful, or rejected, in your walk with Christ? How have those decisions affected you, and were they worth it?**
- 5. Of the woes Jesus lists, which do you think provides the greatest temptation to the Church today? How do we resist that?**
- 6. Inquire about and pray for one another.**