

The Beatitudes
Matthew 5

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Verse	Kingdom Mindset	Kingdom Characteristics	Consequence
<i>"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven"</i>			
3	spiritually prosperous, happy, to be admired	no trace of spiritual arrogance, those who regard themselves as insignificant	kingdom of heaven both now and forever
<i>"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."</i>			
4	forgiven, refreshed by God's grace	saddened over their sins and repent	be comforted when the burden of sin is lifted
<i>"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."</i>			
5	inwardly peaceful, spiritually secure, worthy of respect	the kind-hearted, the sweet-spirited, the self-controlled	will inherit the land
<i>"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied."</i>			
6	joyful, nourished by God's goodness	those who actively seek right standing with God	will be completely satisfied
<i>"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy."</i>			
7	content, sheltered by God's promises	merciful	will receive mercy
<i>"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."</i>			
8	anticipating God's presence, spiritually mature	integrity, moral courage, and godly character	will see God
<i>"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God."</i>			
9	spiritually calm with life-joy in God's favor	makers and maintainers of peace	will express His character and be called the sons of God.
<i>"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."</i>			
10	comforted by inner peace and God's love	persecuted for doing that which is morally right	the kingdom of heaven both now and forever
<i>"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you"</i>			
11-12	morally courageous and spiritually alive with life-joy in God's goodness	insult and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil things against you because of your association with Jesus. Be glad and exceedingly joyful	reward in heaven is great absolutely inexhaustible