

# LESSON 6

## THE BEATITUDES

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### The Beatitudes

Beatitude	Meaning	Blessings
<b>Verse 3:</b> <b>Blessed are the poor in spirit...</b>	Someone who is poor in spirit longs _____ because their spirit is in need of fulfillment.	If they seek after God and put their trust in God, then Jesus promises them the _____.
<b>Verse 4:</b> <b>Blessed are those who mourn...</b>	Jesus talks about people who mourn the _____ and fears of life and those who mourn because of godly sorrow from the _____ of sin.	If they seek after God, then Jesus will _____ them.
<b>Verse 5:</b> <b>Blessed are the meek...</b>	Those who are meek are _____ and _____.	If the meek continue to trust and seek after God, because God is faithful, they will _____.
<b>Verse 6:</b> <b>Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness...</b>	This refers to those who persistently seek _____ in prayer and in _____. They want to pursue what is right in God's eyes.	If people hunger and thirst for God and want to do what is right in the eyes of God, they will be _____.
<b>Verse 7:</b> <b>Blessed are the merciful...</b>	To be merciful means to show _____ and to be _____, kind, and caring to others.	If we show mercy when others need it, we will also be shown _____ by both God and man.
<b>Verse 8:</b> <b>Blessed are the pure in heart...</b>	If we want to be pure in heart, we must pursue _____.	If we keep ourselves holy, we shall see _____.
<b>Verse 9:</b> <b>Blessed are the peacemakers...</b>	Peacemakers are those who want to settle and resolve things between man and man without _____.	These people will have a nature like God and they will be called _____.
<b>Verse 10:</b> <b>Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake...</b>	This talks about the physical, mental, and emotional suffering related to being _____.	God will acknowledge their _____ and their blessing is the _____.

## Living the Beatitudes

**Instructions:** Read each short passage and answer the questions. Open your Bibles to Matthew chapter 5 to help answer the questions.

### 1. Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Jane's family needed to move to another town. The area around their home had become too noisy and busy. But so far, nothing had been going according to their plans. There had been no buyers who wanted their home, they had to sell this house before they could move to a new one, and the new school year was approaching fast. Time was running out. They tried everything. It was at this point that Jane's family recognized that their plans were not going smoothly. They realized that they must ask God for help and put their full trust in Him. They prayed day and night, pouring out their needs to God. Thank God, two weeks later, they received an offer on the house and were able to move to a new home in time for the new school year.



**What can we learn from this family? What is the promise and blessing from God?**

**When should we be poor in spirit?**

**Our Goal:** Let's make a determination to be poor in spirit constantly, always longing after God or helping those around us to seek after God when they are poor in spirit.

### 2. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.



Greg's grandmother recently passed away from a stroke. She had been so dear to Greg even since he was a child. Greg's parents told this news to him and he felt so sad. He ran into his room and started crying. His parents also went into his room, comforted him and encouraged him to call on God for help. During that prayer, everyone prayed so earnestly in the power of the Holy Spirit and at the end of that long prayer, Greg knew that God had comforted him.

**What can we learn from Greg and his family? What is the promise and blessing from God?**

**When should we mourn?**

**Our Goal:** Let us remember that God is the great Comforter. When we experience spiritual pain and sorrow, we can rely on God. When we do something wrong, we can ask God for mercy and forgiveness.

### 3. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Frank needed to play the piano for the Friday night service at church. It was his first time and he was very nervous. He had already practiced the two hymns ahead of time and was ready, but he was still nervous and afraid of messing up. He finally decided that he had already done his part and now he had to rely and fully trust in God to help him. Before the service began, he asked his parents to take him to church 15 minutes early so that he could pray and rely on God even more.



**What can we learn from Frank? What is the promise and blessing from God?**

**What are the things in your life that you must trust God with?  
How can you be humble and meek?**

**Our Goal:** We must remember that we must be humble and gentle in all that we do. God is always greater than us and we must remember to put our trust in God.

### 4. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.



Ever since Jackie came back from SSC, she has been reading the Bible more and praying more. Now, she also enjoys listening to hymns instead of the worldly music she listened to before. She has also made a determination to watch less television. She desires to seek God with all her heart, knowing that there are many temptations in school and that she wants to do right in the eyes of God.

**What can we learn from Jackie? What is the promise and blessing from God?**

**What are some things you can do every day to satisfy your hunger and quench your thirst for righteousness?**

**Our Goal:** We must try to lead a balanced life. If we do a lot of “worldly” things, like watch TV, play video games, or read unedifying novels, we must set aside time, no matter where we are, for God. That means putting down what we’re doing and praying or reading the Bible, listening to or playing hymns, etc.

**5. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.**

During lunchtime at church one afternoon, Kenny saw a 4-year-old child named Ben fall and skin his knee a little. Ben started to cry, but his parents and no one else were around. Kenny was about to simply walk by and let his parents or someone else find him. But he had compassion on Ben and helped him up. He also took a bandage from the first aid kit for him. Then he helped Ben find his parents.

2 weeks later, Kenny got really sick and had to stay home from school. He had a fever and his stomach kept hurting. None of the medicine he was taking was helping. He decided to pray to God for mercy during this time of sickness and about an hour later, he was feeling much better.

**What can we learn from Kenny? What is the promise and blessing from God?**

**When are some times where we need to show mercy to others?**



**Our Goal:** It is very important to remember that if we want mercy and forgiveness from God, we must first show mercy and forgiveness to others—at home, at school, and at church.

**6. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.**

Justin's school friend Tom wanted him to go over to his house after school to watch a violent horror film. Justin knew that this movie was full of violence and that it was rated R because it had a lot of curse words. Justin decided not to go to his friend's house, instead telling his friend that he had a lot of homework and chores to do.

**What can we learn from Justin? What is the promise and blessing from God?**

**How can we keep a pure heart?**



**Our Goal:** When we encounter situations that challenge our holiness and the purity of our hearts, we must keep God in our hearts and rely on God. We should also try to ask ourselves this question: "What would Jesus do?"

**7. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.**

Preston would always get angry and yell at his younger sister for taking his toys and games without asking. His younger sister would also borrow his pencils and break them by accident. In retaliation, he would go over and find something of his sister's and break it, too. His parents kept telling him that he should not pick on his younger sister. Preston learned about this Beatitude during SSC and decided to ask God to help him control his anger so that he could be a peacemaker instead. Therefore, after SSC, with help from his parents, he talked with his sister about other people's property and resolved their situation without fighting or yelling.



**What can we learn from Preston? What is the promise and blessing from God?**

**How should we be peacemakers? Do you ever have fights or conflicts with other people, your friends, or your family? How will you apply this Beatitude to those tough problems that you have with other people?**

**Our Goal:** Jesus is the Prince of Peace. We should try to be more like Jesus—He never fought or hurt the people who accused Him and persecuted Him. He didn't even fight with those who wanted to kill Him. We must keep the peace of Jesus in our hearts every day.

**8. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**



It was Halloween and Wesley was the only one in his school's class that did not wear a costume because it was against the teachings of the Bible. He felt a little left out and his friends kept making fun of him for being different, which made him feel even worse. But deep down inside, Wesley knew that this was the right thing to do in God's eyes. He didn't want to conform to the pattern of this world. Therefore, he determined that no matter how hard his friends laughed at him, he would stand his ground.

**What can we learn from Wesley? What is the promise and blessing from God?**

**What should we do to prepare ourselves for persecution? How will you stand up for your faith and keep the commandments of God?**

**Our Goal:** Remember that we must set ourselves apart from others. We cannot do some of the things others in the world do. Being righteous means we must do the right thing and rely on God to help us stand up for righteousness and make it clear that we follow the teachings of Christ.

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# Homework Assignment

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Bible Reading:** Please put a checkmark in the space when you complete the reading each day.

**Prayer:** Please put a checkmark in the space on the days you prayed to God.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

### What I Learned from the Bible This Week

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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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### Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. **(Psalm 94:12)**

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**Instructions:** Try your best to memorize the Beatitudes and then fill in the blanks.

- Blessed are the \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_,  
 for theirs is the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.
- Blessed are those who \_\_\_\_\_,  
 for they shall be \_\_\_\_\_.
- Blessed are the \_\_\_\_\_,  
 for they shall \_\_\_\_\_ the earth.
- Blessed are those who \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ for righteousness,  
 for they shall be \_\_\_\_\_.
- Blessed are the \_\_\_\_\_,  
 for they shall obtain \_\_\_\_\_.
- Blessed are the \_\_\_\_\_,  
 for they shall see \_\_\_\_\_.
- Blessed are the \_\_\_\_\_,  
 for they shall be called \_\_\_\_\_.
- Blessed are those who are \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_' sake,  
 for theirs is the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.