

THE BEATITUDES Part 2

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Matthew 5:1-12



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

~ Matthew 5:3



"Jesus here is talking about a fundamental humility based on an awareness of spiritual bankruptcy."

~ Aaron Law



Blessed Are The Merciful



"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy."

~ Matthew 5:7



Mercy sees those who are in real need and then takes action.



"Justice is getting what we deserve. Mercy is not getting what we deserve. Grace is getting what we don't deserve."

~ Unknown Author



The Good Samaritan found in Luke 10:29-37



"Mercy sees distress and doesn't close its eyes to it. Mercy responds internally with a heart of compassion or pity towards a person in distress. Mercy responds externally with a practical



effort to relieve the distress. Mercy happens even when the person in distress is perceived to be an enemy. A Samaritan (despised and denigrated by Jews as half-breeds) stops



to help the Jew who actually despises him."

~ John Piper



Blessed Are The Pure In Heart



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

~ Matthew 5:8



"Keep (watch over) your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life."

~ Proverbs 4:23



"For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person."

~ Matthew 15:19-20



"Ah Christian, the truth is, one of the most conclusive evidences that we do possess a pure heart, is to be conscience of and burdened with the impurity which still indwells us.



The work of divine grace in the soul, (another term for the heart), is begun here, but only completed hereafter."

~ A.W. Pink



"Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart..."

~ 1 Peter 1:22



"Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because

we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure."

~ 1 John 3:2-3



Blessed Are The Peacemakers



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

~ Matthew 5:9



"For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross."

~ Colossians 1:19-20



"But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. And a harvest of righteousness



is sown in peace by those who make peace."

~ James 3:17-18



