

Someone tell us in your own words, what a "Beatitude is"

you don't find the word in the Bible, yet it's implied all the way thru the New Testament

I like to call them, "The Attitudes that are becoming to a Believer" or attitudes that please God

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When you read them, do you become a little confused? maybe a little provoked at what they suggest?

Our study is "Jilted" Finding True Happiness

Boy I read that and said to myself - <sup>Some</sup> folks are sure on the wrong trail

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Some think Money will bring it -  
Others think fast Cars & fine homes will bring happiness

Boy, You Name it and people will try it

But the writer of Ecclesiastes says it all, "It's Vanity" Empty / Does not Satisfy / It's Temporary —

But what does Jesus say will bring Real Happiness - ? Being what God demands us to be —

Oh but listen, this study goes beyond God's Demands, it tells us how to be really happy & (Let's pray for understanding)

Some One Read: Matt. 5: 1 & 2  
a large crowd had followed Jesus after the miraculous feeding & healing experiences.

Many were iseruntive / many swains  
Many Hungry - many hurting  
Jews & Gentiles had come to be in His presence —

21 Many had come great distances  
Their sense of need being  
so great that they left  
all behind to seek out and  
hear Jesus - And I thought,  
(That's how it should be)

It would seem that Jesus was directing  
the sermon to the disciples. But  
all were free to listen.

You see only "Believing Disciples"  
would have an idea of what the  
Lord was saying. There were  
demands on the lives of  
Believers -

U-2 says. "Jesus Opened His Mouth  
And began to teach"  
No jokes, No Funny Stories, He got  
down on the subject at hand

He Began by saying "Blessed are" Page  
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If Means: Happy - // Blessings will follow  
a Greek word "MAKARIZO" comes  
to play here. Meaning: Many - Large  
Length. Blessings

So Jesus is saying: God will bless  
in a wonderful way those whose  
lives manifest the qualities here  
described —

"Poor in Spirit", what does this say?

- ① Be Humble even as Christ was Humble
- ② Empty Yourself
- ③ Acknowledge your dependence on God
- ④ Respond to His Word, forsake all if necessary to please God —

And Heavens Riches will be  
yours / you may be a pauper  
here, but you'll be a King  
there —

"Blessed are they who mourn" what does  
that mean? page 87 ②

- ① Grieve over your Sins
  - ② Weep over them
  - ③ Be concerned over the Sins of others.
- Hurt inside when you displease God

And the promise is: You'll be Comforted  
You'll be forgiven - You'll be lifted  
up —

3/ Verse 5: Blessed are the weak No  
Blessed are the meek "page 55" of 46

Those who are subject to God and  
refuse to resist His will —

The meek are submissive

They are Gentle / But Not Compromising

They are Not Weak, simply because they are  
meek. — They are Like Christ

The Promise:

"They shall share in Ruling  
God's Kingdom"

Verse 6 "Blessed are they who Hunger  
& Thirst after Righteousness"

Those who desire a Right Relationship  
with God & with others —

The Promise: "They shall be Filled"

"They will find what they seek  
after"

Verse 7 "Blessed are the Merciful" (Page 61)<sup>3's</sup>

"ELEEO" meaning be Sympathetic

To Pardon, be Kind

Share with others what you have Received  
yourself

And the Promise: God will do  
the Same to you —

God is Love / He is Merciful /  
He is Long suffering / He forgives  
And James said: Do the same and  
be Blessed

Verse 8 "Blessed are the Pure in heart"  
Heart meaning "Seat of thought,  
& will, that which contacts

"Page 231 Wagners"

"Pure" meaning undefiled / not contaminated  
Sincere Holy  
Loyal to God, Responders to  
the Gospel Focus entire self on God

The promise Their works will be acceptable  
Their efforts will be rewarded  
Some works will be burned,  
Because they did not have  
God in mind.

"See God" means: "Have a favored place  
in His presence" All who believe  
will see God, The Pure in heart  
will get a better look —  
(2 Cor. 5:10)

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Jer 9 "Blessed are the Peacemakers"

A peacemaker is one who  
tries to reconcile a lost one  
to Christ - One who tries to  
show the love of Christ -

The Hebrew word for Peace is "Shalom"  
or wholeness - In Right Relationship  
with God -

The Reward: They will be recognized  
as Christ like - Sharing God's  
Nature -

Verses 10-12 tell us that we will  
not be loved by everyone -

- ① Some will persecute us
- ② Some will revile us (abuse us)
- ③ Some will lie about us

But we have rejoiced if it's because  
of the honor we take for Jesus

We are reminded that it  
puts us in good company

They did it to the prophets, they did it to Jesus  
And if you sell out to Jesus, they'll do it to you.

This is Verses 13-16 Jesus Speaks  
Out Disciple Ship Listen Carefully

Salt that no longer preserves or  
seasons is worthless

So is a witness destroyed by  
unfaithfulness & wrong life styles.

a light covered up is of no use  
neither is a testimony kept  
secret

Jesus said: "Let folks know where  
you stand" And be sure if you  
say you do stand for Christ,  
give evidence to back it up

Lets Pray