



The **King's Manifesto**

The Sermon on the Mount

Week 2: Matthew 5:4-7

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

Matthew 5:3

4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

5 "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

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

Matthew 5:4-7

Four Promises of Blessing and Fullness of Life
Comfort for the mourning.

Inheritance for the meek.

Satisfaction for the hungry and thirsty.

Perfect mercy for imperfectly merciful sinners.

2 to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn;

3 to grant to those who mourn in Zion— to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he may be glorified.

Isaiah 61:2-3

Matthew 5:5

5 "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Inheritance for the Meek

Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Matthew 11:29

10 In just a little while, the wicked will be no more;
though you look carefully at his place, he will
not be there.

11 But the meek shall inherit the land and delight
themselves in abundant peace.

Psalms 37:10-11

7 Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices!

8 Refrain from anger and forsake wrath! Fret not yourself; it tends only to evil.

9 For the evildoers shall be cut off, but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.

Psalm 37:7-9

...Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.

Matthew 21:5

If you are mean in your treatment of others, if there is an absence of gentleness in your treatment of others, take heed.

If you make sure you always get yours first, if numero uno is the subtle driving force in your life, if you care little about how your actions affect others, beware.

If you are known as someone never to cross, if you always get your “pound of flesh,” be on your guard.

If rage fills your soul so that life is a series of explosions occasioned by the “fools” in your life, watch out.

-Kent Hughes

Matthew 5:6

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

Satisfaction for the hungry and thirsty.

How could anyone have a strong desire for a right standing before God without at the same time strongly wanting to do the right?

-Leon Morris

...this means, of necessity, a desire to be free from the power of sin. Having realized what it means to be poor in spirit and to mourn because of sin within, we naturally come to the stage of longing to be free from the power of sin.

-Martyn Lloyd Jones

This is about cultivating a sense of dependence that believes long stretches of prayerlessness or not opening God's Word have consequences; just like going without food or water.

23 Search me, O God, and know my heart!
Try me and know my thoughts!
24 And see if there be any grievous way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting

Psalm 139:23-24

Matthew 5:7

7 “Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

Perfect mercy for imperfectly merciful sinners.

Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

Luke 6:36

One of the most distinctive marks of a citizen of God's kingdom is our mercy. In a world where sin and hurt abound, it is uniquely Christlike to have real compassion for the hurting and to actively show pity and reach out to those in need.