

The Messenger



“... How beautiful are the feet of those who bring glad tidings of good things!” Romans 10:15

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Beatitudes

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IMPORTANT FACTS:

1. Not completely new. Note God's teaching on these principles in the Old Testament.

❖ Poor – Psalm 86:1

❖ Mourn – Isaiah 61:1, 2

❖ Meek – Psalm 37:11

❖ Hunger – Isaiah 55:1, 2

❖ Merciful – Proverbs 11:17

❖ Pure – Psalm 24:3, 4

❖ Peace maker – Proverbs 25:21

❖ Persecuted for righteousness – Matthew 5:12 *“for so they persecuted the prophets before you”*

2. These qualities are for all disciples (Matthew 7:24).

3. All seven qualities are interwoven and inseparable. These are not seven classes of people.
4. These seven qualities make a clear distinction between the true and false disciple (Matthew 5:46-48).
5. These qualities do not come naturally (Matthew 7:13, 14).
6. These qualities are contrary to conventional wisdom (Matthew 5:10-12)
7. The rewards are spiritual in nature and can be received now.
 - v.3 We can now enter the kingdom (cp. Colossians 1:13)
 - v.4 We can be comforted (Matthew 11:28-30)
 - v.5 We can inherit the earth (cp. Psalm 37 with Ephesians 1:3-14; John 10:10; Romans 8:17)
 - v.6 We can be filled with righteousness (John 4:14; Romans 1:16, 17; 3:22)
 - v.7 We can obtain mercy (Hebrews 4:16)
 - v.8 We can see God (Ephesians 1:18)
 - v.9 We can be called “sons of God” (Galatians 3:26)

News and Notes:

Remember to check the prayer list for those with ongoing spiritual weaknesses and physical illnesses.

“...Pray for one another...The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.” James 5:16