

THE WORD FOR LIFE – SERMON NOTES

The Sermon on the Mount – Disciple UP!
Laying the Right Foundation (Matt. 5: 3-6)
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1) I'm "blessed!" - _____

Blessed are...

2) Poor in Spirit = _____

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 5:3 (NIV)

"You're blessed when you're at the end of your rope. With less of you there is more of God and his rule. Matthew 5:3 (MSG)

"God blesses those who are poor and realize their need for him, for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs. Matthew 5:3 (NLT)

"Blessed are those who recognize they are spiritually helpless. The kingdom of heaven belongs to them. Matthew 5:3 (GW)

*"I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; **apart from me you can do nothing**. John 15:5 (NIV)*

*For I know that **nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh**. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. Romans 7:18 (ESV)*

*Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners--of whom **I am the worst**. 1 Timothy 1:15 (NIV)*

3) I need to _____ my weakness to be comforted.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Matthew 5:4 (NIV)

4) Jesus wants me to be _____

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Matthew 5:5 (NIV)

*Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am **gentle** and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Matthew 11:29 (NIV)*

5) My desire for God should be _____

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Matthew 5:6 (NIV)

"You're blessed when you've worked up a good appetite for God. He's food and drink in the best meal you'll ever eat. Matthew 5:6 (MSG)

My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God. Psalms 84:2 (NIV)

*It is because of him that you are in Christ **Jesus, who has become for us** wisdom from God--that is, **our righteousness, holiness and redemption**. 1 Corinthians 1:30 (NIV)*

- **The Three Aspects of Righteousness**

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Martin Luther, "The command to you is not to crawl into a corner or into the desert, but to run out...and to offer your hands and your feet and your whole body, and to wager everything you have and can do...If you cannot make the world completely pious, then do what you can."