

## “THE BEATITUDE SERIES”

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The church has been instituted and gathered on a mountain in Galilee.

The “Sermon on the Mount” has been spoke of as the first lecture in their theological training.

### Mt. 5:3

Blessed *are* the poor in spirit: for (because) theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

These are laws or rules that Christ has us to abide by so the Mosaic Law is fulfilled (Mt. 5:17) and the Kingdom of God is propagated (spread or grown).

### Mt. 5:17

Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

If followed, this would insure success in the Kingdom and if the warnings were practiced, (Mt. 5:19) would impede the Kingdom system.

### Mt. 5:19

Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven:

Examples from pulpits today; “you should obey the truth.” Sounds good **but** not specific at all.

Had the Savior said, “Blessed are the rich in grace,” he would have spoken a great truth, but very few of us could have derived (**found**) consolation there from.(Spurgeon)

So, according to Christ in this sermon, the first step had to be low to the ground. It's always best to begin at the beginning.

**Note:** It is true- we are certainly “**poor (in the sphere) of the spirit.**”

Like a bank account waiting a deposit.

**Note:** Not possible to reach a higher virtues until “**Poverty in Spirit**” is attained.

### Is. 66:2

**1** Thus saith the LORD, The heaven *is* my throne, and the earth *is* my footstool: where *is* the house that ye build unto me? and where *is* the place of my rest?

**2** For all those *things* hath mine hand made, and all those *things* have been, saith the LORD: but to this *man* will I look, *even to him that is poor* and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word. Ps. 51 says: broken and contrite.

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**Note:**

While some **wait** for the visible kingdom, this sermon is for those that **see** the invisible kingdom!!

**Also**, by its teachings, they recognize the violence against it.

**Mt. 11:12**

And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force

(Many separate spirituality and violent or ignore violence to pretend one is spiritual.)

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**Mt. 3:8-12**

Some may attempt to apply this passage

**8** Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance:

**9** And think not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to *our* father: for I say unto you, that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham.

**10** And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

**11** I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and *with* fire:

**12** Whose fan *is* in his hand, and he will throughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

**Mt. 3:11**-This passage would be a stretch. It has a logical point but still a stretch.

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“...theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

**Theirs in the original has an emphatic position.** They are exactly the persons to enjoy this inheritance, a glorious new home and all the promises surrounding it.

**Note:** If a man knows spiritual poverty, he possesses, at least one truth.

Before that he knew nothing, and if he loses it... He loses everything.

“The bitter fruits of self-knowledge are always healthful, especially if washed down with the waters of repentance” –**Spurgeon**

(He may have received this from Calvin.)

**Note:** The Sermon on the Mount is demanding; we must, to be successful, meet the demand.