

# The Abundant Life Part 3

## Peacemakers and Persecuted

Matthew 5:9-12

# Blessed: The Abundant Life

One who is truly flourishing

Those who reflect and realize the joy that comes with knowing and following God's will

A living testimony to the fullness of God's goodness poured forth

# Blessed: The Abundant Life

Blessed are the poor in spirit, those oppressed and powerless who can look ahead to the kingdom of heaven

Blessed are those who mourn yet realize the comfort the Lord has for us as he provides it for today and tomorrow.

Blessed are the meek and afflicted for they have much to look forward to.

# Blessed: The Abundant Life

Blessed are those who crave God's righteousness as their source of life

Blessed are those who practice living compassion

Blessed are those wholly devoted to the Lord

# The Abundant Life: Peacemakers and Persecuted

The abundant life practices the ministry of reconciliation

The abundant life gets the world's attention, for righteousness' sake

The abundant life gets the world's attention, for the name of Jesus

# Matthew 5:1-12

Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them saying:

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

# Matthew 5:1-12

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

# Matthew 5:1-12

**Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

# Matthew 5:1-12

**Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.**

# Abundant Life: Peacemakers

The abundant life practices the ministry of reconciliation.

Matt 5:9, Heb 12:14, 2 Cor 5:18-19

# Abundant Life: Persecuted

The abundant life gets the world's attention for righteousness' sake.

Matt 5:10, 1 Tim 6:11, 2 Tim 3:12, John 3:20, 1 Jn 2:16,

# Abundant Life: Persecuted

The abundant life gets the world's attention, in the name of Jesus.

Mk 13:13, John 15:18-21, 1 Peter 4:14-16, 2 Cor 2:16