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**In the sermon on the mount we are not told, “live like this and you will become a Christian.” Rather, we are told, “because you are a Christian, live like this.”**

There isn't a secret formula. There is no list to follow. If you belong to Jesus these things will flow out of who you are in Christ.





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**“Blessed are the *poor in spirit*, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven”**

Be blessed for Christ-like character, not worldly success.





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## **To be poor in spirit is to empty yourself so Christ can fill you.**

Jesus isn't someone you can add on- you can't add Him on to you job, you can't add Him on to your family. It isn't even God first, family second, friends third- *it is God only in your life and everything follows that.*

Jesus emptied Himself for you (Phil. 2:7). Will you empty yourself for Him?

