That's What He Said, Part 2

Matthew 5:4

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While the Beatitudes of Jesus provide a ***way of life that promises salvation,*** they also bring ***peace in the midst of our trials*** and tribulations on this earth.

Compassion & Discipleship

Matthew 9:36 (NLT)

36 When he saw the crowds, he had **compassion** on them because they were confused and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

Definition: to be ***moved in the inward parts,*** i.e. *to feel compassion:--*

Discipleship

The **mission** of the Lord is ***reaching people,*** but the ***method*** of the Lord is to ***make disciples.***

Blessed is an exclamation of the inner joy and peace that comes with being right with God.

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Happy is about
our **circumstances** but the
blessed life that Jesus is
speaking about here comes
from **within**.

Sadly many Christians today **desire the happy life** of the world and not **the holy blessed life** of God.

I Personal sin before a Holy God.

Conviction

leads to

Conversion

Enslaving Power of Sin

1 Timothy 1:15-16 (NLT)

15 This is a trustworthy saying, and everyone should accept it: "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners"—and **I am the worst of them all.**

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16 But God had mercy on me so that Christ Jesus could use me as a prime example of his great patience with even the worst sinners. Then others will realize that they, too, can believe in him and receive eternal life.

[2]We are also to mourn the effect of sin and the pain of sin in others.

[3]The Christian mourns over his own suffering.

We Suffer but He Saves!

How does God comfort those who mourn?

He Gives Peace

The Holy Spirit

Hope of Eternity

John 14:1-3

1 *“Let not your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me.*

John 14:1-3

2 In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going to prepare a place for you.

John 14:1-3

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be with me where I am.”

Ways to Overcome

1) Study God's Holiness and His reaction to sin.

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2) Pray for insight into God's Holiness and your own sin.

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3) Ask for forgiveness when convicted of sin. Repent quickly from sin.

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4) Receive the comfort of God through forgiveness and by His Spirit.

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5) Walk in joy by rejoicing in God.

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6) Make every day a new pursuit of God.