

Discussion Guide (October 8, 2023)

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Message: *Poor In Spirit* (Series: *#Blessed: A Look At The Beatitudes*)

PRIMARY PASSAGE (Matthew 5:1-3, NIV)

Now when He saw the crowds, He went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to Him, and He began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS

- Blessed
- Poor in Spirit
- Kingdom of Heaven

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Talk about a time in your life when self-reliance and arrogance was preventing you from humbly coming to Jesus as your Savior.
2. If you have the means, play the episode from *The Chosen* that depicts the Sermon on the Mount.
What did you like about the scene?
What did you find yourself thinking?
3. In your own words, try to capture the meaning of "Kingdom of Heaven" and explain it to the rest of the group.
What is most difficult for you to understand?
What is the most eye-opening?
4. Read Luke's account of a similar teaching of Jesus recorded in Luke 6:20-23. Some have called this The Sermon on the Plain.
What similarities and dissimilarities do you observe?

Prayer: *Oh God, continue to be merciful to me, the sinner.*