

He that hears THESE sayings

- Mt 7:24-28

- **Hear** these sayings of Mine and **does them**:

- Like a wise man who built house on rock

- did not fall because it was built on the rock

- **Hear** these sayings of Mine and **does not do**:

- Like a foolish man who built house on sand

- it did fall because it was built on sand

- Since “*these words of mine*” are considered the foundation upon which to build, what are we doing to be certain our life is built on them?

Sermon on Mount = These sayings of Mine

- A summary: How many can we remember?
- Blessed are(8)... Mt 5:3-12
- You are Salt and Light 5:12-16
- You have heard... but I Say(6)... 5:17-48
- Don't do righteousness before men(3) 6:1-18
- Lay not treasures on earth but in heaven 6:19-34
- Judge not lest you be judged. 7:1-5
- Do unto Others as you would have... 7:6
- Ask – Given; Seek – Find; Knock – Opened 7:7-11
- Choices: 2 Gates; 2 Ways; 2 Prophets; 2 Disciples; & 2 Foundations 7:13-27

Blessed Are ...

- Poor in Spirit **Kingdom of Heaven**
- Mourn **Comforted**
- Meek **Inherit the Earth**
- Hunger & Thirst for Righteousness **Filled**
- Merciful **Obtain Mercy**
- Pure in Heart **See God**
- Peacemakers **Called Sons of God**
- Persecuted/Righteousness **Great Reward**
- **Hear these sayings and do them are wise**

Blessed Are ...

- to regard someone as happy or fortunate in view of favorable circumstances –
- used by Greek speaking people to show honor and praise for success, happiness and contentment.
- They attributed it to beauty, wealth, power, athletic ability, mental achievement, or even good fortune were praised with this term.
- The honor that secular things bring to man in this world, Jesus used to motivate in the spiritual.

Blessed Are ...

- *Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but one receives the prize?... Now they do it to obtain a perishable crown, but we for an imperishable crown. 1Cor 9:24-25*
- *for they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God. John 12:43*
- *who will render to each one according to his deeds: eternal life to those who by patient continuance in doing good seek for glory, honor, and immortality; Rom 2:6-7*
- **If we are seeking for glory, honor, immortality, we have Jesus promise that these will bring it!**

Poor in Spirit

- Whereas *penes* denotes one who has to **earn his living because he has no property ...** *ptochos* **denotes the complete destitution** which forces the poor to seek the help of others by **begging**. ... **It is the fate of a *ptochos* to have nothing ... but that of a *penes* to live frugally.** (Kittel TDWNT; 4434)
- Since we are spiritually destitute; we are wise if we see it and act accordingly.

Poor in Spirit

- *Thus says the LORD: Heaven is My throne, and earth is My footstool. Where is the house that you will build Me? And where is the place of My rest? For all those things My hand has made, and all those things exist, says the LORD. But on this one will I look: on him who is poor and of a contrite spirit, and who trembles at My word. Isa 66:2*
- *The LORD is near to those who have a broken heart, and saves such as have a contrite spirit. Ps 34:18*

Poor in Spirit

- *The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a broken and a contrite heart— these, O God, You will not despise. Ps 51:17*
- *For thus says the High and Lofty One who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: “I dwell in the high and holy place, with him who has a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones. Isa 57:15*

● Also He spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: 10 “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. 11 The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, ‘God, I thank You that I am not like other men — extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. 12 I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.’ 13 And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me a sinner!’ 14 I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.” Lk 18:9-14

Poor in Spirit

- *But we are all like an unclean thing, And all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags; We all fade as a leaf, And our iniquities, like the wind, Have taken us away. ... 8 But now, O Lord, You are our Father; We are the clay, and You our potter; And all we are the work of Your hand. Isa 64:6, 8*
- *So likewise you, when you have done all those things which you are commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants. We have done what was our duty to do.'" Lk 17:10*

Blessed are Those who Mourn

- ***penthos; pentheo*** “to mourn,” “to grieve” “to bewail,” The noun *penthos* “sorrow,” “grief,” and also painful event or fact. Originally *penthein* or *penthos* denotes sorrow of heart, (Kittel TDWNT: 3996)
- *Blessed are you who weep now, For you shall laugh... woe to you who laugh now, For you shall mourn and weep. Lk 6:20-26*

Blessed are Those who Mourn

● *The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and a contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise. Ps 51:17*

● *Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded. 9 Be miserable and mourn and weep; let your laughter be turned into mourning, and your joy to gloom. 10 Humble yourselves in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt you. James 4:8-10*

Blessed are Those who Mourn

- *If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 Jn 1:8-9*
- *And you have become arrogant, and have not mourned instead, in order that the one who had done this deed might be removed from your midst. 1 Cor 5:2*
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For even if I made you sorry with my letter, I do not regret it; though I did regret it. For I perceive that the same epistle made you sorry, though only for a while. 9 Now I rejoice, not that you were made sorry, but that your sorrow led to repentance. For you were made sorry in a godly manner, that you might suffer loss from us in nothing. 10 For godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death. 11 For observe this very thing, that you sorrowed in a godly manner: What diligence it produced in you, what clearing of yourselves, what indignation, what fear, what vehement desire, what zeal, what vindication! In all things you proved yourselves to be clear in this matter. 2 Cor 7:8-11

- *To everything there is a season, A time for every purpose under heaven: 4 A time to weep, And a time to laugh; A time to mourn, And a time to dance; Eccl 3:1, 4*
- *Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. For me to write the same things to you is not tedious, but for you it is safe. Phil 3:1*
- *Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! Phil 4:4*
- *Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Mt 5:4*
- *Blessed are you who weep now, For you shall laugh... woe to you who laugh now, For you shall mourn and weep. Lk 6:20, 26*