



What Jesus Said

X 001. Matthew 5:1–12. *The Beatitudes*

This story is found in the Gospel of St. Matthew, Chapter 5 verses one to twelve. We write it like this:
Matthew 5:1–12. *BibleHomework* uses this format throughout its website.

The Scripture:

5:1 - Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, 5:2 and he began to teach them.

The Beatitudes

He said:

5:3 “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

5:4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

5:5 Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

5:6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

5:7 Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

5:8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

5:9 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

5:10 Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

5:11 “Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me.

5:12 Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

The Explanation:

The Beatitudes are one of the most beautiful passages in the bible when Jesus describes who is to be welcome into the Kingdom of Heaven.

The Beatitudes were first spoken at what became known as The Sermon on the Mount.

Places and People Mentioned:

The Mount

Scripture gives no indication of the exact location of this event. However, the most informed opinion puts the location for the Mount of Beatitudes between Capernaum and Tabgha and is just above the "Cove of the Sower" and was known as Mt. Eremos.

Questions:

1. Whose is the Kingdom of Heaven?
2. Who are the Children of God?
3. What do the Pure in Heart see?
4. Who inherits the earth?
5. What do you think is the importance of the Beatitudes to Christians?
6. What did you feel as you read the Beatitudes?