

"WHO WANTS TO BE BLESSED?" (Unexpected Ways to be Blessed - One)

Note: "*The Sermon on the Mount*" is one of the most famous sermons ever preached. The preacher was Jesus! The first eight statements are called "*The Beatitudes*"! They are unexpected, universal, and ageless ways to be blessed *by God*.

I. BLESSED ARE THE POOR...

*Matthew 5:3 *III John 2 *Proverbs 10:22 *I Chronicles 29:12
*Philippians 4:19 *I Timothy 6:9-10 *James 2:5

1. This is not referring to financial poverty.

Note: Jesus did not say "*blessed are the financially poor*".

2. This is referring to spiritual humility.

Note: A person can be spiritually bankrupt and not even realize it.

*I Peter 5:5-6 *Luke 18:10-14 *Revelation 3:16-17

II. BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO MOURN...

*Matthew 5:4 *Ecclesiastes 3:4

1. Some people mock sin.

*Proverbs 14:9 *Hebrews 3:13 *Proverbs 20:1 *Proverbs 1:10
*Galatians 6:7-8 *Luke 19:41 *Matthew 23:37

2. Some people enjoy sin.

*I John 2:15 *Hebrews 11:24-25 *James 1:12-16

3. Some people sin, but mourn over it.

*James 4:6-10 *Nehemiah 1:4-7

Question: "What is your attitude toward sin?"