# PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

October 17, 2021

## Sermons from the Sermon: Lesson 1 A Stairway to Righteousness (Matthew 5:3-12)

This morning we begin a new series of lessons from the "Sermon on the Mount" recorded in Matthew 5 through 7. We will start by looking at a section we call "The Beatitudes."

#### The Beatitudes

11"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.
12Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Rom 8:12-18; 2Ti 3:10-13

<sup>10</sup>"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the **kingdom of heaven**.

Rom 5:1; 12:18-21 <sup>9</sup>"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

Isa 9:6

8"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Psalm 24:1-6

<sup>7</sup>"<u>Blessed</u> are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

Matt 18:21-35; Luke 10:25-37; Luke 23:34; Acts 7:60

6"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

Psalm 63:1-11

<sup>5</sup>"Blessed are the **meek**, for they shall inherit the earth.

 $meek = \pi \rho \alpha \ddot{U} \zeta - praus / James 1:21$ 

<sup>4</sup>"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Psalm 51:1-4

<sup>3</sup>"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Luke 18:9-14; Rom 1-3; Rev 3:17-19

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Growing up, most of the sermons and lessons that I heard about the Beatitudes presented them as simply a series of nice sayings from Jesus, as if each was like something you might pull from a fortune cookie. However, my sincere belief is that they represent much more, and that Jesus actually intended that each one build on the

previous to paint a word picture of a type of stairway to righteousness. With this in mind, consider the following questions that are answered by the Beatitudes:

What are the characteristics of:

- The \_\_\_\_\_\_ in God's Kingdom?
- Those who exhibit genuine \_\_\_\_\_?

For those who are seeking to be subjects in God's Kingdom and are seeking to be found righteous before God, the Beatitudes can be viewed like a grading scale to evaluate our level of maturity in Christ.

#### PRAYER LIST

- Doug Demonbreun is in Skyline hospital (room 713) with an infection in his leg
- Lowell Gregory is in Centennial hospital with GI problems, hoping to avoid surgery
- **Dale Garrett**, Donnie's father, passed away Wednesday afternoon.
- Jason Floding, a friend of the Bakers, is in covid ICU in ohio
- Continue to remember Kristine Garrett, Faye Waller and Ann Reed

#### **SERVING TODAY (October 17, 2021)**

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORSHIP

Read: F. Brown Read: J. Gupton
Prayer: E. Walker Wait On Table: J. Baker

Serve: S. Shatto.

D. Demonbreun

**Prayer:** D. Billingsley



"Our soul waits for the Lord; He is our help and our shield. For our Heart shall rejoice in Him, because we have trusted in His holy name."

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### **Upcoming Events**

- On October 27 we will have our annual Trunk or Treat after service.
- On October 31 we will have a fellowship meal after the morning service, and then meet again at 1:00