





Kingdom People Too

Matthew 5:7-12

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Recognize they are spiritually helpless (3)

Feel the weight of their spiritual poverty (4)

Ready to receive whatever instruction is given them (5)

Pursue rightness with God and godly character (6)

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The Merciful (7)

- full of pity, compassionate [Strong's]
- not withholding punishment, but acts of kindness
- acting consistently with the revelation of God's covenant [HELPS]

Like Jesus (Heb. 2:17)

- *“Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a **merciful** and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.”*

Divine Reciprocation (like forgiveness - Mt. 6:12, 14-15)

- “No motive to mercy is so constraining as the feeling that we ourselves needed it and have found it.” – Charles Ellicott

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The Pure in Heart (8)

- “free from evil desires and purposes” – McGarvey

Those whose inside matches their outside (Mt. 23:25-28)

- *“To a generation obsessed with external religious cleanliness, a constant theme of Jesus’ teaching was the role of the heart in a true relationship with God.”* – K. Pope
- **We cannot become so pre-occupied with doctrinal purity that we neglect the individual purity of the heart**

Those who draw near to God (James 4:8)

- See Him now through Faith (Eph. 1:15-18)
- Will see Him face to face (1 John 3:2-3)

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The Peacemakers (9)

- quietness, rest; peaceable, disposed to peace; make peace, reconcile
- bravely declares God's terms which makes someone whole [HELPS]
- *“the one who speaks correction honestly can be trusted to make **peace**.”*
- Jesus made **peace** by reconciling men to Himself **(Col. 1:20)**

Cannot pursue peace at all cost **(Mt. 10:34-37)**

- *“But the wisdom from above is **first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in **peace** by those who make **peace**.”***

(James 3:17-18)

Must pursue peace as our goal **(Rom. 12:18)**

*“If possible, so far as it depends on you, live **peaceably** with all.”*

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The Persecuted (9-12)

- *“all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted”
(2 Tim. 3:12)*
- *revile* – insult, berate, despise, disparage, condemn
- *persecute* – pester, harass, oppress, intimidate, torture
- say unkind and untrue things about you

For defending & doing what God says is right (1 Pet. 3:14-17)

- *“If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed” (1 Pet. 4:14)*
- *“But if you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed, but glorify God that you bear that name.” (1 Pet. 4:16)*

Rejoice... knowing they share good company and great reward

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Show God's mercy to others (7)

Those whose inside matches their outside (8)

Strive to live peaceably with all (9)

Rejoice when persecuted for righteousness' sake (10)



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