

The Lord Blesses These (2)

"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy." Matthew 5:7, English Standard Version

_____ know they have to live differently; *do we know it?*

A Review Of The Larger Context For The Beatitudes

- A. France: *makarios* is "a term of _____ and _____." They are qualities to be _____.
- B. A declaration of distinctiveness:
 - 1. Matthew 4:17 – The theme of Jesus preaching was to _____ for the kingdom of _____ was at _____.
 - 2. Matthew 5:13-16 – Christians are like _____ and _____, both agents of _____.
- C. When we choose to live in these ways, we'll be _____.

Matthew 5:6 – The Blessing Of Hungering for Righteousness

- A. Hebrews 12:16 - _____ was willing to sell his _____ for a _____ meal.
- B. God blesses those who hunger for the right things:
 - 1. John 4:34 – Jesus' _____ was to _____ the _____ of His Father.
 - 2. Matthew 6:33 – What we must _____ most (beginning now) is God's _____ and _____.
 - 3. Philippians 3:18,19 – Those who set their _____ on _____ things are _____ of the cross.

Matthew 5:7 – The Blessing Of Being Merciful

- A. Thayer: "Merciful" is "readiness to _____ those in _____" with whatever their needs might be.
- B. God blesses those who do what they can to help others:
 - 1. Luke 10:37 – The Samaritan showed _____ to the victim. We are to _____ and do _____.
 - 2. Matthew 9:12,13 – Jesus' followers have to go and _____ that God _____ mercy and not _____.
 - 3. Hebrews 2:17 – We will be like _____ if we are merciful..
 - 4. Matthew 25:34-36 – Those who _____ others with their needs will _____ the kingdom.
- C. Matthew 5:7 – When we are merciful we'll receive _____.

Judges 21:25 – The world has been _____ by heaven's guidance!

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