

# Jesus says...

## WEEK 1 | THE BEATITUDES | MATTHEW 5:1-12

### Inspection – “What does it say?”

How many times are the words “will” or “will be” mentioned in the text?

What does this mean?

What is it necessary to have in order to see God? (verse 8)

For what are the children of God known? (verse 9)

According to verses 11-12, what happened to those who served God as prophets?

Read Matthew 7:28-29. What was the reaction to Jesus’ teachings on the mountainside?

### Observation – “What does it mean?”

How many times does Jesus refer to the “kingdom of heaven” in the text? Why?

What do the beatitudes teach us about the heart and character of God?

How did Jesus demonstrate each of the beatitudes in His personal life?

How do you define the word blessed compared to happy, fortunate, or lucky?

What do each of the uses of the word “blessed” in the text seem to have in common?

### Life Application – “What does it mean for me?”

Make a list of your spiritual blessings in Christ and review them daily this week.

Look this week for poor, brokenhearted, and suffering individuals in order to extend mercy to them.

Focus this week on being hungry and thirsty for righteousness.

Identify areas in your life where you need to grow in humility.

Forward the email with this lesson to a friend and encourage them to follow Fairmount on YouTube.

### Meditation – “What does God say?”

1 John 2:6

1 Peter 2:21

Ephesians 5:1-2

John 13:13-17

Ephesians 4:22-24

Romans 8:29

Galatians 2:20

Matthew 11:29

## Supplication: What Can We Meditate?

### The Way Of The Cross

Confusion reigned on that rocky road that leads to Calvary;  
And the angry voices rose and fell –  
Like storm-tossed waves on Galilee.

No hatred now between Jew and Roman,  
For they see here eye to eye.  
Their cruel hearts seek human blood –  
Their lips cry, “Crucify!”

While there beneath the cross that sin has made,  
Too heavy for man to bear  
Wrestles alone, the Love of God  
With the power of death and despair.

No sign of fear on that sad, sweet face,  
As He labors beneath the load,  
But only the look of a broken heart  
As He travels the Calvary road.

We need no help to follow the path He went  
For a furrow deep and plain  
Marks the course that He carried  
The cross that day for a world of sin and shame.

There on the right stand a faithful few  
They walked where the Savior trod,  
While there on the left the jeering mob  
Daring the wrath of God.

And so through the ages the dividing line stands,  
Just as clear today.  
You are either in Christ or with the lost  
For there is no middle way.

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