Matthew 5:3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

- Psalm 34:18 The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.
- Isaiah 66:2 to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit,

Matthew 5:4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

- Psalms 23:4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 2 Corinthians 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, 4 who comforts us in all our affliction

Matthew 5:5 "Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the earth.

- 2 Timothy 2:24 And the Lord's servant must not strive, but be gentle towards all, able to teach, patient when wronged,
- Psalms 37:11 But the meek shall inherit the land and delight themselves in abundant peace.

Matthew 5:6 "Blessed are those who <u>hunger and thirst for righteousness</u>, for they shall be satisfied.

- Psalms 11:7 For the LORD is righteous; he loves righteous deeds; the upright shall behold his face.
- Zephaniah 2:3 Seek the LORD, all you humble of the land, who do his just commands; seek righteousness; seek humility;

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

- 2 Samuel 22:26 "With the merciful you show yourself merciful; with the blameless man you show yourself blameless;
- Psalms 86:15 But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

Matthew 5:8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

- Psalms 73:1 Truly God is good to Israel, to those who are pure in heart.
- Psalms 17:15 As for me, I shall behold your face in righteousness; when I awake, I shall be satisfied with your likeness.

Matthew 5:9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

- James 3:17 But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere.
- Psalms 34:14 Turn away from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

Blessed are the Broken

Message

Matthew 5:3 "You're blessed when you're at the end of your rope. With less of you there is more of God and his rule.

- 4 "You're blessed when you feel you've lost what is most dear to you. Only then can you be embraced by the One most dear to you.
- 5 "You're blessed when you're content with just who you are no more, no less. That's the moment you find yourselves proud owners of everything that can't be bought.
- 6 "You're blessed when you've worked up a good appetite for God. He's food and drink in the best meal you'll ever eat.
- 7 "You're blessed when you care. At the moment of being 'care-full,' you find yourselves cared for.
- 8 "You're blessed when you get your inside world your mind and heart put right. Then you can see God in the outside world.
- 9 "You're blessed when you can show people how to cooperate instead of compete or fight. That's when you discover who you really are, and your place in God's family.

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- 3 "How happy are the humble-minded, for the kingdom of Heaven is theirs!
- 4 "How happy are those who know what sorrow means for they will be given courage and comfort!
- 5 "Happy are those who claim nothing, for the whole earth will belong to them!
- 6 "Happy are those who are hungry and thirsty for goodness, for they will be fully satisfied!
- 7 "Happy are the merciful, for they will have mercy shown to them!
- 8 "Happy are the utterly sincere, for they will see God!
- 9 "Happy are those who make peace, for they will be sons of God!

Blessed are:

the poor in spirit, they that mourn, the meek, they that hunger and thirst after righteousness, the merciful, the pure in heart, and the peacemakers.