

Chapter 5:7-12

7 Blessed are the merciful,
For they shall obtain mercy.
8 Blessed are the pure in heart,
For they shall see God.
9 Blessed are the peacemakers,
For they shall be called sons of God.
10 Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,
For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

- 11 Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake.
- 12 Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Observations

1. In verses 7-9 Jesus address our attitude toward other people.
What does it mean to be merciful to other people?
What does it mean to have a pure heart toward other people?
What does it mean to be a peace maker with other people?
2. Give examples of how Jesus manifested each of the beatitudes listed above toward you personally, or give an example from Scripture of how Jesus manifest these beatitudes toward others.
3. In verses 10-12 Jesus address our attitude toward trials.
If we're treating others the way that Jesus told us to in verses 7-9why would we be persecuted?
4. How's your attitude toward others and trials? What changes do you need to make in your life?