

Blessed to Be Poor
Matthew 5:3-5

Main Idea: It's blessed to be poor in God's kingdom.

“Blessed are the poor in spirit.”

- I. The poor in spirit are:
 - a. Those who recognize their dependence on God.
 - b. People of grace.

- II. The consequences of not recognizing our spiritual poverty are:
 - a. We lose the ability to offer grace to others.
 - b. We lose the blessing of doing the Lord's work.

“Blessed are those who mourn.”

- I. Permission to mourn
- II. Mourning as an act of faith

“Blessed are the meek.”

- I. Bridling our aggressive tendencies
- II. The connection between happiness and humility