

"I do think we're all kind of in this big, worldwide reality television game. And we're all competing to see who has the best life with the best boyfriend or girlfriend having the best meals on the best vacations with the best families and the best dogs... But just as quickly as I might scroll through Instagram and see 100 people liked a photo of me, and that makes me feel good, the next moment I might see all of my friends hanging out the night before and wonder why I wasn't invited and feel extremely lonely about that. Now more than ever there are some major highs and really depressing lows, and they come so close together."

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## Sermon On The Mount Themes

The Heart of a Kingdom Citizen The Lifestyle of a Kingdom Citizen The Relationships of a Kingdom Citizen The Choices of a Kingdom Citizen



Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup> And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying...

Matthew 5:1-2 (ESV)

- <sup>3</sup> Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- <sup>4</sup> Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
- <sup>5</sup> Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
- <sup>6</sup> Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
- <sup>7</sup> Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

Matthew 5:3-7 (ESV)

- <sup>8</sup> Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
- <sup>9</sup> Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.
- <sup>10</sup> Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- <sup>11</sup> Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.
- <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

## The Beatitudes

- "Blessed" God's gracious favor to give one a happy and content (satisfied/fulfilled) soul that is not rooted in external or changing circumstances.
- Holistic
- Already Not Yet

Self Reliance

Self Righteousness

Self Importance

Self Satisfaction

Self Avenging

Self Indulgence

Self Promotion

Self Preservation



## ENBRAGE

Bankruptcy

Brokenness

Humility

Hunger

Forgiveness

Purity

Harmony

Suffering

Our Mission: To produce and release spiritual leaders who know and express the authentic Christ to NWA and the world.

Jesus became poor in spirit. Jesus mourned. Jesus became the bread of life and the living water. Jesus showed mercy by taking our punishment. Jesus was pure in heart. Jesus is a peacemaker. Jesus was persecuted and reviled.