

Blessed are the Meek

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Matthew 5:1-12

1 Now when [Jesus] saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, 2 and he began to teach them, saying: 3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. 5 Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. 6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. 7 Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. 8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. 9 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God. 10 Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 11 Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. 12 Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

I. MEEKNESS IS NOT WEAKNESS

Matthew 5:5

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

2. THE HUMBLE WILL BE EXALTED

Matthew 23:12

"For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

3. A HUMBLE PERSON IS GREAT IN GOD'S EYES

1 Peter 5:5-6

5... All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." 6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.

James 4:10

Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

Psalms 37

4 Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart. 5 Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him and he will do this: 6 He will make your righteousness shine like the dawn ... 8 Refrain from anger and turn from wrath; do not fret — it leads only to evil. 9 For evil men will be cut off, but those who hope in the Lord will inherit the land. 11 the meek will inherit the land and enjoy great peace.

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