

Blessed are the Humble
Matthew 5:1-12
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As a Christian, can you honestly say that you have true happiness?

Is your Christian life best described as (A) a spiritual adventure, or (B) spiritual apathy?

Do you desire an authentic Christian life, characterized by inner joy and Christ-like actions?

The Beatitudes: Jesus Reveals the Authentic Christian Life, and the Only Way to True Happiness

1. There is an authentic “blessed” Christian life that Jesus intends for every believer

Key Word: “Blessed” - The origin and power behind true Christian living is God Himself.

2. This authentic Christian life is activated in the life of the believer who chooses the specific actions and attitudes revealed in Jesus’ teaching here

The repeated pattern in Matt. 5: “Blessed are...” (experience) “those who...” (action, attitude)

3. Obedience to Jesus in these specific actions and attitudes leads the believer to true happiness.

Key Word: “Blessed”: an inner peace that frees from outer problems so that joy flows.