The Beatitudes:



The Blessing of Discomfort

Scripture:

Matthew 5:1, 4

When Jesus saw the crowds, He went up on the mountain; and after He sat down, His disciples came to him. He opened His mouth and began to teach them, saying, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

4"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."

⁵Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the earth.

2 Corinthians 12;9

..." My grace is sufficient for you, for [my] power is perfected in weakness."...

Other Scriptures

- Matthew 5-7
- Matthew 7:13-14
- Philippians 3:5
- 2 Corinthians 1:7-9; 12:9
- Romans 12:1-2
- James 4:6
- Galatians 5:22-23

Main Points

- The sermon was given in Capernaum, Israel.
- The beatitudes teach us how to live in the light of the kingdom of God.
- Beattitudes-supreme blessedness
- The term *Blessed* carries with it the meaning of divine happiness.

- We can't be filled the power of God until we come to the end of relying on ourselves and begin to rely on Him.
- The riches of the kingdom only flow into our lives when we're low.
- Being gentle is actually power that's under control.

Qu

<u>uestions</u>
1. What did Jesus mean for this sermon to be to the people he taught?
2. The first portion of the Sermon on the Mount is called by what name?
3. What does blessed mean?
4. What does "poor in spirit" mean?

5. What meaning does this have for your life? How can you personally

become poor in spirit?