

Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit?

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PERSPECTIVE:



The Sermon on the Mount – Matt. 5-7

*Context – Launching of teaching ministry of Christ.

*Content – The Kingdom of Heaven

1. When Jesus saw the crowds, He *went up* on the mountain; and after He *sat down*, his disciples came to Him.
2. He opened His mouth and began to teach them saying,

Big Question: How do I experience blessing?

*You need to become part of The Kingdom of Heaven.

*You need to live under the authority of The KING



Poor in Spirit – 5:3

II. The Prize: The Kingdom of Heaven

A. Exclusive Rights

B. Expansive Nature

3. Blessed are the poor in *spirit*, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.



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