



Elgin Evangelical Free Church - July 21, 2024

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great; for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Matthew 5:9-11

III. Spiritual Peace—5:9

- A. Peace is God's greatest good in you.
- B. Peacemaking is pursuit of God's greatest good in others.
- C. Peacemaking has a prize

IV. Spiritual Persecution—5:10-11

- A. It's Regulated

B. It's Relational

C. It's Rejoicing