

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO MOURN

Beatitudes Bible Study Series – Message # 2

Introduction

Beatitudes – the _____ and character traits that God wants to _____ within us

Text: Matthew 5:4

The meaning of “those who mourn”

Mourn – intense, passionate _____ or grief

1. Our _____
2. Our _____
3. The _____ of others
4. The _____ of others

Suffering is part of life in this sinful world, but God can bring _____ out of it. – Romans 8:28

The opposite of those who mourn are:

- The _____
- The _____

Restatement: Blessed is the one whose heart breaks for his own _____ and for the suffering and sorrow of the _____.

The blessing of “those who mourn”:

1. God offers _____. – James 4:8-10;
1 John 1:9; Psalm 32:1-5
2. God offers _____. – 2 Corinthians 1:3-4
3. God offers _____. – Philippians 4:6-7

4. God offers _____. – James 1:2-4; Romans 8:18

Restatement: For out of his sorrow he will find _____ forgiveness, comfort, and joy.

Hindrances to receiving this blessing:

- Light-hearted attitude toward _____.
- Hard-hearted attitude toward the needs, sorrow and suffering of _____.

How to receive forgiveness for sin:

1. Develop a proper _____ toward sin – true sorrow.
2. Deal with sin properly – _____.

How to receive comfort for suffering:

1. Realize that God is _____ you. – Psalm 34:18
 - God is _____.
 - God _____. – 1 Peter 5:6-7
 - God wants to _____. – Hebrews 4:16
2. _____ the hurt! – Isaiah 43:18-19;
Romans 12:19
3. Rely on _____ resources.
 - God’s _____ – Psalm 119:25, 52
 - God’s _____ – 2 Corinthians 1:3-4
 - God’s _____ – Romans 15:13

Conclusion

The need for forgiveness and comfort is only _____! – Revelation 21:3-4