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MATTHEW 5-7

Matthew 5:3 (NET)

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⁴“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.

⁷“Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

⁸“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called the children of God.

¹⁰“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to them.

Poor, crippled, blind & lame... OR “give to the poor”

Proverbs 22:2 (NET)

²The rich and the **poor** meet together; the Lord is the creator of them both.

“Needy or lacking”

Crouched & Beggar

Matthew 5:3 & Luke 6:20

Galatians 4:9



“Poor” = worthless

Galatians 4:3-9 (NET) ³So also we, when we were minors, were enslaved under the **basic forces** of the world. ⁴But when the appropriate time had come, God sent out his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵to redeem those who were under the law, so that we may be adopted as sons with full rights. ⁶And because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, who calls “Abba! Father!” ⁷So you are no longer a slave but a son, and if you are a son, then you are also an heir through God. ⁸Formerly when you did not know God, you were enslaved to beings that by nature are not gods at all. ⁹But now that you have come to know God (or rather to be known by God), how can you turn back again to the weak and worthless **basic forces**? Do you want to be enslaved to them all over again?

Not Just Poor... Poor in Spirit



Jesus' example:

2 Corinthians 8:9–10 (NET)

⁹For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that although he was rich, he became poor for your sakes, so that you by his poverty could become rich.

Jesus' example:

Matthew 27:46–51 (NET)

⁴⁶At about three o'clock Jesus shouted with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

⁴⁷When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is calling for Elijah."

⁴⁸Immediately one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink.

⁴⁹But the rest said, "Leave him alone! Let's see if Elijah will come to save him."

⁵⁰Then Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and gave up his **spirit**.

⁵¹Just then the temple curtain was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook and the rocks were split apart.

Jesus' provision:

John 14:15–17 (NET)

¹⁵“If you love me, you will obey my commandments.

¹⁶Then I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you forever—

¹⁷the **Spirit** of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it does not see him or know him. But you know him, because he resides with you and will be in you.

What is poor in spirit?

Is it poor in God's Spirit?

Is it poor in demonic spirit?

Is it poor in angelic spirit?

Is it poor in human spirit?

It is what Jesus felt at His death.

Jesus' 'Why have you forsaken me' isn't ours.

Romans 10:9–13 (NET)

⁹because if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

¹⁰For with the heart one believes and thus has righteousness and with the mouth one confesses and thus has salvation.

¹¹For the scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.”

¹²For there is no distinction between the Jew and the Greek, for the same Lord is Lord of all, who richly blesses all who call on him.

¹³For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

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Philippians 2:5–11 (NET)

⁵You should have the same attitude toward one another that Christ Jesus had, ⁶who though he existed in the form of God did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, ⁷but emptied himself by taking on the form of a slave, by looking like other men, and by sharing in human nature. ⁸He humbled himself, by becoming obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross! ⁹As a result God exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow—in heaven and on earth and under the earth— ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.

Jesus' 'Why have you forsaken me' is our inheritance.

Philippians 2:1–4 (NET)

¹Therefore, if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort provided by love, any fellowship in the **Spirit**, any affection or mercy,

²complete my joy and be of the same mind, by having the same love, being **united in spirit**, and having one purpose.

³Instead of being motivated by selfish ambition or vanity, each of you should, in humility, be moved to treat one another as more important than yourself.

⁴Each of you should be concerned not only about your own interests, but about the interests of others as well.

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