

The Meek

The Beatitudes

""And seeing the multitudes, He went up on a mountain, and when He was seated His disciples came to Him. Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

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

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you." Matthew 5:1-12

Who Are the Meek?

- 1. Blessed are the meek (humble, teachable) for they shall inherit the earth (land, territory) (vs. 5).
 - a. After being born again (vs. 3) and finding comfort in your grief (vs. 4), the object in the Christian life is to grow in the knowledge of the word (Matthew 11:28-30).
 - b. Meek means to be teachable, which is a choice.
 - c. Meekness is a fruit of the recreated spirit (Galatians 5:23).
 - d. "Restore in the spirit of meekness" (Galatians 6:1).
 - e. "Follow after... meekness" (1 Timothy 6:11).
 - f. "Showing all meekness" (Titus 3:2).
 - g. "Receive with meekness" (James 1:21).
- 2. We never get to a place we know everything.
 - a. Answered questions only generate more questions.

- b. Questions become more sophisticated through the years.
- c. Questions are the source of learning for our entire life.
- d. The more we know the more we find out we do not know.

The Reward of Meekness

- 1. All needs met and security throughout life (Psalm 22:26).
- 2. Guidance (Psalm 25:9).
- 3. Prosperity and Peace (Psalm 37:11).
 - a. The prosperity we receive from being teachable is natural not just spiritual.
 - b. The Greek word for " $\gamma\eta$ " "physical land." (Deuteronomy 28:1-11)
 - 1. "You shall eat the good of the land" (Isaiah 1:19).
 - 2. "The teachable will inherit the earth" (Matthew 4:5).