

Hi Kids!

This week we're going to look at the Beatitudes found in **Matthew 5: 1-12**. The name "Beatitude" comes from the Latin phrase for being blessed. Each Beatitude is a statement about being blessed. People who are humble are blessed. People who mourn are blessed. People who are persecuted are blessed. The Beatitudes teach us how to have a new attitude, one that will honor God and be a blessing to others. When we choose to "be" these "attitudes," God will bless us just as he promised.

Monday, May 25, 2020

• A Servant's Heart. The purpose of the Beatitudes is to inspire us to act in certain ways—to have a heart and attitude that God wants us to have. This week find ways to serve and bless others. Some ideas: help an elderly person with yard work; collect canned goods and donate to a local food bank; share your toys with a brother or sister; write a card and mail it to a grandparent.

Tuesday, May 26, 2020

• <u>Joy Bucket</u>. When we read the Beatitudes, we are reminded that we are blessed. Today, decorate a bucket, mason jar, or other container. Spend the week writing any joyful experiences (blessings) you have on slips of paper and add them to your Joy Bucket. See if you notice enough blessings to fill your container.

Wednesday, May 27, 2020

• There's an Emoji for That. As you read the Beatitudes in Mathew 5: 1-12, think about what emoji you would use for the words like "blessed", "mourn", "thirst", "hunger," etc. Choose one verse and write it down using your emojis.

Thursday, May 28, 2020

• Beatitudes Collage. Read Matthew 5: 8. It says, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God." Using magazines, newspapers, and pictures, create a collage, a visual description, for this verse. Why did you choose the pictures you did? Share your collage with someone in your family. Can they guess which Beatitude you created?

Friday, May 29, 2020

• <u>In Your Own Words.</u> Using the chart on the next page, read each Beatitude and then rewrite it in your own words.

The Beatitudes	My Own Words
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 satisfied.	
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.	