



GROWTH POINT

MIDWEEK SERVICE

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Title: A Blueprint for Blessing

“And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him: ² And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying, ³ Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴ Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. ⁵ Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. ⁶ Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. ⁷ Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. ⁸ Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. ⁹ Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. ¹⁰ Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹ Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. ¹² Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.” (Matthew 5:1-12)

INTRODUCTION

1. An Interesting _____

A. An Intriguing _____

The last shall be first. (Matthew 20:16)

Giving is receiving. (Acts 20:35)

Losing is finding. (Mark 8:35)

The least is the greatest. (Luke 9:48)

Dying is living. (Galatians 2:20)

Serving is ruling. (Matthew 20:27)

Weakness is strength. (2 Corinthians 12:9)

The poor are rich. (Proverbs 13:7)

The sad are happy. (Matthew 5:4)

The meek are winners. (Matthew 5:5)

The hungry are filled. (Matthew 5:6)

The persecuted are joyful. (Matthew 5:10-12)

B. An Insightful _____

“But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.” (1 Corinthians 2:14)

The Pharisees had a works religion.

The Sadducees had a worldly religion.

The Essenes had a withdrawn religion.

The Zealots had a warfare religion.

Jesus Presents a within religion.

2. The Inward _____

A. A Return to _____

“Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the Lord: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished.” (Proverbs 16:5)

“Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.” (Matthew 18:4)

B. A Realization of _____

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (1 John 1:9)

“He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.” (Proverbs 28:13)

C. A Reaching for _____

“Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.” (Matthew 11:29)

“For the Lord taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation.” (Psalm 149:4)

“But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.” (1 Peter 3:4)

3. The Impacted _____

A. A Practiced _____

“I am the Lord thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt: open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it.” (Psalm 81:10)

“The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing.” (Psalm 34:10)

“And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.” (John 6:35)

B. A Prioritized _____

“But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him, ³⁴And went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.” (Luke 10:33-35)

“The merciful man doeth good to his own soul: but he that is cruel troubleth his own flesh.” (Proverbs 11:17)

C. A Pure _____

“Then Jesse made Shammah to pass by. And he said, Neither hath the Lord chosen this.” (1 Samuel 16:9)

“I the Lord search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.” (Jeremiah 17:10)

“That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.” (Romans 10:9-10)

“Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.” (2 Corinthians 7:1)

D. A Promoted _____

“But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt. ²¹ There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked.” (Isaiah 57:20–21)

“For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;” (Ephesians 2:14)

“Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:” (Romans 5:1)

“But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.” (James 3:17)

4. An Important _____

“Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹ Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.” (Matthew 5:10–11)

A. The _____ Is Persecution

Physical Affliction (John 15:18–19)

Verbal Abuse (Luke 6:26)

False Accusation (Isaiah 53:7)

B. Our _____ to Persecution

We must not retaliate (Romans 12:19; Proverbs 24:9)

We must not be resentful. (Hebrews 12:14–15)

We are commanded to rejoice. (1 Peter 4:12–14)

CONCLUSION _____

