

SUFFERING FOR THE JESUS
THEY SEE IN YOU.
MATTHEW 5:10-12

(Beatitudes Series)

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“LORD MAKE ME LIKE YOU.”

-Henry Blackaby

SUMMARY OF BEATITUDES

- “Beautiful Attitudes” (Character traits of Christ and HIS FOLLOWERS – that should be the character traits of every FOLLOWER of Christ).
 - **Noticed I used FOLLOWER and not BELIEVER. We are not just looking to believe in Jesus- but rather to **FOLLOW HIM AND BE LIKE HIM!**
JESUS THE PERFECT EXAMPLE OF THESE BEATITUDES WENT TO THE CROSS.
- Blessed- Having an awareness of God’s approval.
- Each beatitude builds on the other (see Chart):
- Each Promise/Reward: Has a present and future component.
 - Look at Blessing #6: Blessed are the Pure of Heart, for they shall see God. (We are going to see God in our lives now the more pure/holy we are - but perfectly when we are sinless in God’s presence).

Indeed, all who want to live in a
godly way in Christ Jesus will be
persecuted.

-2 Timothy 3:12 (NASB)

Everyone who wants to live as God
desires in Christ Jesus, will be
persecuted.

-2 Timothy 3:12 (NCV)

“Blessed are those who have been
persecuted for the sake of
righteousness, for theirs is the
kingdom of heaven.”

-Matthew 5:10 (NASB)

WHAT PERSECUTION IS NOT:

- Our own poor decisions.
- Our insensitivity to others.

PERSECUTION IS SUFFERING FOR
THE JESUS THEY SEE IN YOU!

Blessed are you when people insult
you and falsely say all kinds of evil
against you **because of Me.**

Matthew 5:11 (NASB)

v.10- Persecuted: “pursue” or
“chase” or to “harass”.

v.11- Insult (revile): literal
translation “to cast one’s teeth” idea
to hurl insults in one’s face.

Adultresses, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

James 4:4 (NASB)

(18) If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before it hated you. (19) If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own, but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, because of this the world hates you. (20) ... 'A slave is not greater than his master' if they persecuted Me, they will persecute you as well. ... (21) But all these things they will do to you on account of My name, because they do not know the One who sent Me.

John 15:18-21 (NASB)

So then, be careful how you walk, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of your time, because the days are evil.

-Ephesians 5:15-16 (NASB)

Why are we trying so hard to
be like the world when we
were called to be different?

Persecution in
yOUR world.

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward
in heaven is great, for in this same
way they persecuted the prophets
who were before you.

Matthew 5:12 (NASB)

(2) And according to Paul's custom, he visited them and for three Sabbaths reasoned with them from the Scriptures (3) explaining and giving evidence that Christ had to suffer and rise from the dead,... (4) And some of them were persuaded... (5) But the Jews became jealous and taking along some wicked men from the marketplace, formed a mob and set the city in an uproar; and they attacked the house of Jason and were seeking to bring them out to the people.

-Acts 17:2-5 (NASB)

And He was saying to them all, If anyone wants to come after Me, he must deny himself, take up his cross daily, and follow Me.

-Luke 9:23 (NASB)

HOLY COMMUNION



(23) For I receive from the Lord that which I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, (24) and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me,". (25) In the same way He also took the cup after supper, saying "This cup is the new covenant in My blood; do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." (26) For as often, as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 (NASB- slide 1 of 2)

(27) Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup in an unworthy way, shall be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord.
(28) But a person must examine himself, and in so doing he is to eat of the bread and drink of the cup. (29) For the one who eats and drinks judgment to himself if he does not properly recognize the body.

1 Corinthians 11:27-29 (NASB- slide 2 of 2)



“He must increase, but I must decrease.”
-John 3:30 (NASB)