

THE BEATTITUDES

Blessed are the Poor in Spirit
the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

Blessed are the gentle,
they shall have the earth as inheritance.

Blessed are those who mourn,
they shall be comforted.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for uprightness,
they shall have their fill.

Blessed are the merciful,
they shall have mercy shown them.

Blessed are the pure of heart,
they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers,
they shall be recognized as children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted in the cause of uprightness,
the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

- *Matthew 5: 2-10*

The Great Kenosis

Make your own the mind of Christ Jesus:
Who, being in the form of God,
did not count equality with God
something to be grasped.

But he emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
becoming as human beings are;

And being in every way like a human being,
he was humbler yet,
even accepting death, death on a cross.

And for this God raised him high,
and gave him the name
which is above all other names;

So that all beings
in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld,
should bend the knee at the name of Jesus

And that every tongue should acknowledge
Jesus Christ as Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

- *Philippians 2: 5-11*