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# Beatitudes Family Lesson

Blessed are the Poor in Spirit Week of September 13, 2020



& Ms. Megan

#### Hi Families!

 This resource is a tool to engage your children about the weekly sermon topic outside of Sunday Morning. Pick a cuddly moment to skim over the slides together or bring the questions up over a meal. This week includes a video you can watch together. And we've added a craft, for those so inclined. We hope you have the chance to dig deeper into The Beatitudes as a family this week. ~Ms. Megan and Ms. Susan

# Matthew 5: 3 Blessed are the Poor in Spirit

This week Pastor John talked to us about when Jesus said –

"Blessed are those who are spiritually needy."

The kingdom of heaven belongs to them."

(NIRV)

What does needy mean to you? How about spiritual?

What could it mean to be spiritually needy?

Why would Jesus want us to need him?

#### The Big Picture – The Beatitudes

You can find an adaptation of the Sermon on the Mount from Matthew 5 within Sally Lloyd-Jones' The Singer as included in *The Jesus Storybook Bible* on pages 228-235

 We invite you to read this story as a family or listen to Ms. Megan read from the video link provided at NewCityHH.com/blog

#### Talk about the story as a family

- What kind of people came to see Jesus? (give 3 examples)
- How did Jesus feel when He saw all the people?
- What does God do for the birds and the flowers?
- God doesn't want us to \_\_\_\_\_.
- What did Jesus know that God would always do?



## Application – Progressive Craft



Ok, Parents, this is a challenge by choice activity.

We're inviting your kids to make a Beatitudes Wreath to remember the sermon topic each week. You can make one addition a week or save up for a special review time as a family. Any way you choose, the kids will be invited to share their creations on a Zoom call at the end of the sermon series. More information follows.

# Beatitudes Craft – Add one piece each week

#### **SUPPLIES**

- Various colors of construction paper (one half sheet per child per week)
- Scissors
- Large paper plate or piece of card stock cut in a circle for each child
- Stick glue
- Markers or Colored Pencils or Pens

#### STEPS

- Child traces his or her hand on a piece of colored paper
- 2. Child cuts out handprint
- 3. Child copies this week's Bible verse onto the handprint [next slide]
- 4. Save handprint for next week's addition

### Copy the Bible Verse

**Early Learners:** 

The poor in spirit

**Writers and Readers:** 

Blessed are those who are spiritually needy.

#### Close in Prayer



Your word is like a lamp that shows me the way. It is like a light that guides me.

Psalm 119:105 (NIRV)

Dear Heavenly Father,

Thank You for Your written Word, which helps us know You better. As we go about our day, we pray that Your Word would show us the choices to make and lead us in the path of right living. Help us to hide Biblical truths in our hearts. May we be ready and willing to follow You, even in the difficulties and confusion.

Thank You for Your Word of light and truth, in Jesus' name we pray.

AMEN