

Teachings of Jesus

Blessed Are the Meek

Matthew 5:4

Introduction

The third beatitude in our series on the Teachings of Jesus is "Blessed are the Meek." The teachings of Jesus are a paradox compared to our human wisdom and thought patterns.

1. Life in the Kingdom of Heaven is the _____ of what the world teaches and believes.
2. The people who listened to Jesus wanted a _____.
3. He's speaking to a group that felt the Kingdom should be taken by _____!
4. What kind of meek followers can make a difference in a culture that promotes power and _____ as the key to true success?

I. The Meek

5. Meekness is not _____.
6. The Greek word for meekness means to be gentle and _____.
7. Meekness is power under _____.
8. Meekness knows how to direct force and _____ in the right direction.
9. As followers of Christ, we willingly acknowledge our _____ and recognize the power of Christ to change us.

10. In a spiritual sense, we have everything even though we possess _____. In a literal sense, it is having nothing even though we possess _____.
11. Meekness influences your _____ about life.
12. Meekness also influences your attitude towards the _____ of God.
13. James 1:19 encourages us to receive the Word of God with _____.
14. Meekness even affects your attitude towards those you _____!

II. The Inheritance

15. Proverbs 13:22, "One who is good will leave an _____ to his children's children."
16. The words of Jesus in this beatitude echo King David's words in Psalm 37:11, "The _____ shall inherit the earth, and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace."
17. The earth is God's wonderful creation and he can give it to whoever he _____.
18. When Jesus said that the meek "shall _____ the earth," he did so in good faith and has the proper authority to fulfill his promise.—Matthew 28:18.
19. God's purpose for the earth is to be our eternal _____ and His headquarters.
20. When Adam and Eve willfully disobeyed God by breaking the command that had been given to them, they lost their beautiful Paradise _____.

21. Psalm 105:8 says, "He _____ his covenant forever, the word he commanded, for a thousand generations.
22. God is faithful to his _____.
23. The transformation of the earth into a _____ will take place under a government that exercises its dominion from heaven.
24. In the Kingdom of Heaven, Jesus is the _____!
25. Those who choose citizenship in the Kingdom of Heaven will _____ the New Heavens and the New Earth.
26. God has a special blessing of inheritance for those who act in _____ instead of reacting to their circumstances.

III. The Blessing

27. The blessing begins with yielding your will to the will of the _____.
28. The Holy Spirit helps us to learn how to rule our _____ instead of letting our emotions rule us.
29. The Holy Spirit teaches us how to direct our energies in a disciplined and _____ way.
30. The blessing of meekness keeps us from _____ in our attitudes and behaviors.
31. When we become Holy Spirit-_____, we learn to be even-tempered and begin to find that faith flourishes before us.

32.The blessing of the meek is that they are _____, self-giving, and self-sacrificing.

33.The blessing of life is to enjoy the abiding _____ of God that makes you aware of his hand of blessing all around you.

34.The purpose of the meek is to fulfill the _____ of God.

Conclusion

35.Jesus teaching on being meek is a quality of character present only among those who recognize their complete _____ on the divine presence of God.

The kind of meekness Christ teaches about is the kind that acknowledges God as the source of every blessing and the supplier of every need. The meek Jesus is talking about are the faithful. They know nothing in this life belongs to them. They see themselves as the stewards of what God owns. And they feel blessed to serve Him!

Answers

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| 1. Opposite | 13.Meekness | 26.Faith |
| 2. Change | 14.Disagree | 27.Spirit |
| 3. Force | 15.Inheritance | 28.Emotions |
| 4. Might | 16.Meek | 29.Productive |
| 5. Weakness | 17.Chooses | 30.Extremes |
| 6. Humble | 18.Inheritance | 31.Controlled |
| 7. Control | 19.Home | 32.Approachable |
| 8. Energy | 20.Home | 33.Presence |
| 9. Sinfulness | 21.Remembers | 34.Purpose |
| 10. Nothing,
everything | 22.Word | 35.dependence |
| 11.Attitude | 23.Paradise | |
| 12.Word | 24.King | |
| | 25.Inherit | |