

# Be Happy Be Persecuted

Matthew 5:10-12

- 3 “Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 4 Blessed are those who mourn,  
for they will be comforted.
- 5 Blessed are the meek,  
for they will inherit the earth.
- 6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for  
righteousness,  
for they will be filled.
- 7 Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will be shown mercy.
- 8 Blessed are the pure in heart,  
for they will see God.
- 9 Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they will be called children of God.
- 10 Blessed are those who are persecuted because  
of righteousness,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

## I. The Happy Kingdom Citizen

### A. Entrance into Kingdom Citizenship.

1. Happiness of Spiritual Poverty -  
Faith in Another's spiritual wealth  
(v. 3).

2. Happiness of Repentant Mourning  
- Calling for Another's spiritual  
rescue (v. 4).

#### B. Traits of Kingdom Citizens.

1. Requirement: Gentle / Result:  
Have Everything (v. 5 "Happy are  
the humble").
2. Righteous Seekers / Happy  
Ending: Satisfaction (v. 6 "Happy  
are the hungry").
3. Merciful / Happy Ending: Receive  
Mercy (v. 7 "Be happy; show  
mercy").
4. Pure / Happy Ending - See God  
(v. 8).
5. Peace maker / Happy Ending -  
Called Sons of God (v. 9)

## C. Resistance to Kingdom Citizenship (vv. 10-12).

### ❖ A Breakdown of Persecution (vv. 10-11).

#### ➤ \_\_\_\_\_ of Persecution (vv. 10-11)

##### ■ Persecution Defined (vv. 10-11).

Persecution is: \_\_\_\_\_

##### ■ Persecution Detailed (v. 11):

1. \_\_\_\_\_ you.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ you.

3. Speak \_\_\_\_\_ things against  
you.

➤ Cause of Persecution (v. 11)

■ Because of \_\_\_\_\_ .

■ Because of \_\_\_\_\_.

❖ Benefits of Persecution (v. 12).

➤ A Supernatural \_\_\_\_\_

➤ A Supernatural Result

■ A Great \_\_\_\_\_

■ A Great \_\_\_\_\_

■ A Great \_\_\_\_\_