

## Family Discipleship Resource

January 29-February 4

(Matthew 5:1-12)



### **G** – Gather for Prayer

Father,

*You are the King of kings and Lord of lords! Teach me to follow you well as a Kingdom citizen.*

*In Jesus' Name, Amen*

### **R** – Read the Text (Matthew 5:1-12)

*1 When Jesus saw the crowds, He went up on the mountain; and after He sat down, His disciples came to Him. 2 He opened His mouth and began to teach them, saying, 3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. 5 Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the earth. 6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. 7 Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. 8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. 9 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. 10 Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 11 Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great; for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.*

### **O** – Observe what God has said

***What do you notice about the kingdom values that Jesus identifies here?***

***Which of these values is most difficult for your to adopt/endorse?***

### **W** – Work on Application

In this passage, Jesus describes what a citizen of the Kingdom of God should look like before an audience that thought they understood what it meant to be the People of God (but unfortunately got so very wrong). In many ways, what Jesus shared here was revolutionary and peculiar in His day. The same is true as this passage is read and studied today.

***What values does the world seem to champion?***

***What are some popular "religious values" that may not be in line with what Jesus shares in Matthew 5:1-12?***

***How might I demonstrate some of these kingdom values this week?***

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Family Weekly Memory Verse: *"Make me know Your ways, O LORD; Teach me Your paths"-Psalm 25:4*