

Your Happy Place
Week 2: Poor in Spirit

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Matthew 5:3 (NIV84)

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Poor: _____.

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Acts 3:1–2 (NIV84)

Spirit: _____

"For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it."

1 Timothy 6:7 (NIV84)

2. Kingdom of Heaven.

A. W _____ it is.

"For a child has been born—for us! the gift of a son—for us! He'll take over the running of the world. His names will be: Amazing Counselor, Strong God, Eternal Father, Prince of Wholeness. His ruling authority will grow, and there'll be no limits to the wholeness he brings. He'll rule from the historic David throne over that promised kingdom. He'll put that kingdom on a firm footing and keep it going with fair dealing and right living, beginning now and lasting always. The zeal of God-of-the-Angel-Armies will do all this."

Isaiah 9:6-7 (THE MESSAGE)

B. W _____ it is.

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"Once, having been asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, Jesus replied, 'The kingdom of God does not come with your careful observation, ²¹ nor will people say, 'Here it is,' or 'There it is,' because the kingdom of God is within you.'"

Luke 17:20–21 (NIV84)

"Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks."

John 4:23 (NIV)

"But if I drive out demons by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you."

Matthew 12:28 (NIV)

"And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus."

Ephesians 2:6 (NIV)

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"But when the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit upon his glorious throne. ³² All the nations will be gathered in his presence, and he will separate the people as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³ He will place the sheep at his right hand and the goats at his left. ³⁴ 'Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the creation of the world.'"

Matthew 25:31–34 (NLT)

C. What _____ it makes.

Psalms 139:1–18

3. C _____.

A. S _____.

"Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ This promise is to you, to your children, and to those far away—all who have been called by the Lord our God."

Acts 2:38–39 (NLT)

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"Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. ² Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will."

Romans 12:1–2 (NIV84)

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. ² Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."

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