

## The Effects of Emulation

(What happens in us when we follow Jesus)

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### Series Verses

"...And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image."

2 Corinthians 3:16–18b (NLT)

"Live a life filled with love, following the example of Christ."

Ephesians 5:2a (NLT)

### Week 2: A Happier You

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>4</sup> Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. <sup>5</sup> Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. <sup>6</sup> Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. <sup>7</sup> Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. <sup>8</sup> Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. <sup>9</sup> Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God."

Matthew 5:3–9 (NIV84)

#### 1. Knowing the \_\_\_\_\_ for God.

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

Matthew 5:3 (NIV84)

**Poor:** \_\_\_\_\_.

**Spirit: the effective \_\_\_\_\_ of any power.**

"He said, 'I came naked from my mother's womb, and I will be naked when I leave. The LORD gave me what I had, and the LORD has taken it away. Praise the name of the LORD!'"

Job 1:21 (NLT)

#### 2. Experiencing the \_\_\_\_\_ of wrong.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."

Matthew 5:4 (NIV84)

"For the kind of sorrow God wants us to experience leads us away from sin and results in salvation. There's no regret for that kind of sorrow. But worldly sorrow, which lacks repentance, results in spiritual death."

2 Corinthians 7:10 (NLT)

#### 3. Controlled \_\_\_\_\_.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth."

Matthew 5:5 (NIV84)

"A gentle answer deflects anger, but harsh words make tempers flare. <sup>2</sup> The tongue of the wise makes knowledge appealing, but the mouth of a fool belches out foolishness."

Proverbs 15:1–2 (NLT)

#### 4. \_\_\_\_\_ God's way to an \_\_\_\_\_ of life.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled."

Matthew 5:6 (NIV84)

"O God, you are my God; I earnestly search for you. My soul thirsts for you; my whole body longs for you in this parched and weary land where there is no water."

Psalms 63:1 (NLT)

#### 5. Leaving \_\_\_\_\_ to God.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy."

Matthew 5:7 (NIV84)

"For I desire mercy, not sacrifice, and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings."

Hosea 6:6 (NIV84)

#### 6. \_\_\_\_\_-mindedness.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God."

Matthew 5:8 (NIV84)

"You must not have any other god but me."

Exodus 20:3 (NLT)

#### 7. Promoting \_\_\_\_\_ with God in all things.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God."

Matthew 5:9 (NIV84)

"There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death."

Proverbs 14:12 (NLT)

**My Happy Need:** \_\_\_\_\_