

Scripture

Matthew 5:1-12 (NLT)

The Sermon on the Mount

- 1 One day as he saw the crowds gathering, Jesus went up on the mountainside and sat down. His disciples gathered around him, 2 and he began to teach them.

The Beatitudes

- 3 “God blesses those who are poor and realize their need for him, for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

- 4 “God blesses those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.
- 5 God blesses those who are humble,
for they will inherit the whole earth.
- 6 God blesses those who hunger and thirst
for justice, for they will be satisfied.
- 7 God blesses those who are merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.
- 8 God blesses those whose hearts are pure,
for they will see God.”

- 9** “God blesses those who work for peace,
for they will be called the children of
God.
- 10** God blesses those who are persecuted
for doing right, for the Kingdom
of Heaven is theirs.”
- 11** “God blesses you when people mock you
and persecute you and lie about you and say
all sorts of evil things against you because
you are my followers.”

12 “Be happy about it! Be very glad! For a great reward awaits you in heaven.

And remember, the ancient prophets were persecuted in the same way.”