

Mat 5:1 And seeing the multitudes, He went up on a mountain, and when He was seated His disciples came to Him. Then He opened His mouth and taught them saying; Blessed (Blessed one, possessing the favor of God, It indicates the state of the believer in Christ. That state of being filled with God. The mark of fullness. One who becomes a partaker of Gods nature. It is being indwelt by the Holy Spirit, and as a result being fully satisfied no matter the circumstances. *are the poor in spirit,*(It comes from the word-to crouch-to bend down. It is the healthy fear of the Lord!-utter helplessness, complete destitution. It is spoken of honest poverty without the idea of begging. The poor in spirit are those who **recognize** their spiritual helplessness. *For* (for this reason, because) *theirs is* (to come into existence, occurring right now.) *the kingdom* (the royal dominion, the government of God, God's rule. The Lordship of Jesus over the spirit. The Spirit of God indwelling the heart.) *of heaven.*(the spirit realm) The poor in spirit are those, who have received the revelation, that they need salvation. The door of the Kingdom has been opened to them to enter in. They can see-(their spiritual eyes have been opened.)

The word mountain in the bible is a type of Authority. Words in the bible have a natural and spiritual meaning-(**a spiritual principle is first the natural and then the spiritual.**) These are types and shadows of a spiritual reality. God uses the natural things of the material creation to teach us spiritual truths. But spiritual realities can only be known through spiritual experiences, once we experience it in the spirit, then it begins to all make sense! When the Spirit of God reveals the truth to us, we experience it.

The spirit realm is the invisible realm a step above the natural realm-So everything of God comes down into the natural realm from above-(this is the meeting place)-where heaven meets with earth. Our spiritual eyes and ears are opened and we experience God-(it is called revelation knowledge-experiential knowledge)-and upon this foundation God begins to build. Once you have a spiritual experience from God-(no human being can talk you out of it.) It is too late, you have experienced it-(you know, that you know.) We need to become like a little child who looks to his father, a humble teachable spirit.

Moses when up on the mountain to receive the ten-commandments-**first the natural**-(an outward law, written on stone.)-thou shall and thou shall not. The law was spiritual, but man was natural and could not keep the spirit of it, because he did not have the spiritual capacity. The law was a school master to point us to Christ-who would impart His spirit to us-which is His nature-(the things He naturally does.) *John 1:17 For the law was given through Moses, but grace* (God's nature and ability) *and truth* (the unveiled reality lying at the bases of and agreeing with an appearance; the manifested, or the veritable essence of matter) *came through Jesus Christ.*

Jesus went up on a mountain opened up His mouth (**then the spiritual.**) And out of His mouth came the living word of God- (God imparted through words which contain His spirit.) The first word that came out was ***BLESSED! The fullness of God imparted through a word!*** But there was a spiritual condition necessary to receive that word. Blessed are the poor in spirit, those who have no spirituality. They are totally bankrupt. Not even one cent of spirituality. Not only do they not

have any, they have no possible means of acquiring it. They are totally helpless. They make no excuse, no pointing of the finger! No self-justification. They are totally incapable of naturally acquiring it-they need a miracle! They need a new kind of life; they need to be born again. They have absolutely no confidence in their self and are not going to try and manufacture it. They have given up-(complete surrender). They accept of themselves, they can do nothing. They look to God- (for the promise). The gift of the Holy Spirit-Acts 2:38

In and of ourselves we are poor in spirit, humble and broken. But we are not poor in His Spirit, the infilling of His spirit, activates and strengthens our spirit.

Isa 66:2 But on this one will I look :(to watch, to regard. It has the sense of looking somewhat intensely in a focused way at something. It is used as the keen observations of an eagle from a great distance. It is the Lords gazing on the earth from his habitation. *On him who is poor* (It refers to those who are suffering, in a state of poverty, oppression, misery from various causes: from being poor, needy, and unfortunate, in want. They cry out for help and for their needs.) *and of a contrite* (meaning crippled, smitten. Smitten of spirit, It is a result of the conviction of the Holy Spirit-his word piercing the heart, humble.) *spirit, And who trembles* (trembling, reverential fear of God. Those who tremble at God's word are also accounted as obedient, because they begin to seek the Lord. Ezra 9:4) *at My word.*

The miracle happens in those who have no confidence in their own ability. Who desire His glory, and see how they have fallen short of

it! The word of God has penetrated their heart, but they will not let go of it. The cry of their spirit is for help! And they ask for mercy! It is through the mercy of God that we receive His grace! They have come to the end of their self, and they humbly look to Him. Theirs is the Kingdom; they are willing to let the Spirit of God govern their lives. The kingdom is righteousness, joy and peace in the Holy Spirit (God's nature and His power-abilities). The kingdom of God is where He has access and there is submission to His government, where His will is done.

The beatitudes are spiritual principles of the Kingdom. They are about being and becoming. They are a spiritual condition of the heart, a spirit that is in the process of growing. Our spirit is a container, only the poor in spirit are able to receive the Spirit of God in his word. Through receiving the living word into our spirit we receive a measure of God's Spirit, which begins to grow and develop. We begin to experience His thoughts and feelings. Being poor in spirit-is a spirit that is crying out for more of God. When we have been born of God's spirit-we have the same identical attributes of God but in a measure. These are not human attributes, they are divine. We have **His-**(love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control) but in a measure that is always crying out for more. The poor in spirit cry out for more of God, and God meets the need through the infilling of His spirit-which results in the need being met-(fullness-satisfaction.) When we grow up in the spirit, we will begin to be led by the Spirit-which means to be driven-(where he takes over)the overflow where we have more than enough. Until then our spirit keeps crying out.

To be poor in spirit-is to be utterly-helpless-(to have no power.) It is impossible to live the kind of life we are called to, with human ability-we need God's power (His ability) to overcome our self, the flesh, and the spirit of this world.

1 John 5:4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. When we are born of God, we receive His nature and ability in a measure.

Rom 12:3 For I say, through the grace (his nature and ability) *given*(imparted by the Spirit) *unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought*(absolutely necessary, only His spirit is to be glorified in us.) *to think*(mind set): *but to think soberly*,(to save the mind, sanity, to think and to act with the mind of Christ) *according as God has dealt*(distribute, a share, part) *to every man*(each separately) *the measure* (limited portion, degree)*of faith*.(faith is the acceptance of revelation, "the mind of Christ."It comes by hearing the Spirit speak. It works as His love begins to motivate and control us.)Faith is a fruit of the Holy Spirit in our lives-It is God's faith, not a human faith. When we are born again we receive a measure of His faith-which grows in us as we begin to exercise-use it. It can be little or great-but everyone who has been born of God has it. Great faith is absolute trust, to be fully persuaded.

2 chronicles 14:11 And Asa cried(to call, or to summon, to be invoked) *out to the Lord his God, and said, Lord, it is nothing*(to assert that something is nothing in comparison.) *for You to help, whether with*

many or with those who have no power;(strength, or might.) *Help* (to aid, it means to support, the Holy Spirit is our helper!) *us, O Lord our God, for we rest* (this verb is found only in the passive form, but it is active in meaning. It refers to leaning on for support. The idea conveyed here is simply that of resting one's weight against something to give support. Leaning on the everlasting arms-the God who never fails. It is like learning how to float, resting upon the water to support you.) *on You, and in Your name* (God has several names-when we call upon his name, we are calling upon Him to act according to His revealed name. He is our everything-total provision-"whatever we need, He becomes to us." He identifies Himself with us-everything we do, we do in his name-in Him. God joins himself to us-the yoke of the covenant!) *we go against this multitude.*

When we receive Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior-He shows us a multitude of things in our lives that we have to overcome. It is impossible to overcome these things in our own strength. We overcome them by His grace through His faith. First God convinces us a certain thing is not His will-(though His wisdom.) Then we turn from it through His repentance, and we rest in Him through His faith.

2 chr 20:12 O our God, will You not judge them? (Execute judgment, to bring about what has been decided.) *For we have no power* (strength, might.) *against this great multitude that is coming against us; nor do we know what to do, but our eyes*(it refers to being in the presence of another) *are upon You.*

It is the Spirit of God in us that executes judgment against all the powers of darkness that have been controlling our lives. It is only as we are filled with His Spirit (aware of His presence) (the life flow of the Spirit) that we are enabled to overcome self-will, the flesh, the world, and the devil-(evil spirits.)

20:15 Thus says the Lord to you; Do not be afraid nor dismayed because of this great multitude, for the battle (meaning war, fighting) is not yours, but God's.

20:17 You will not need to fight (to do battle, to fight, and to wage war.) *in this battle. Position yourselves,* (to stand, to take ones stand. To station oneself. It has the sense of to present oneself at a location. To exercise authority over.) *stand still*(to rise up, to take one's stand. To stand on ones feet. To remain motionless. To hold back from doing something. It is used of taking a position. Remaining undisturbed or unchanged. It has the sense of ceasing, to stop doing something. It indicates living somewhere, standing, remaining there. It has the sense of serving before someone. *and see the salvation*(deliverance, help, victory, prosperity. The primary meaning is to rescue from distress or danger. To be rescued *of the Lord,* (I Am that I Am, the God who manifests Himself in the present.) *who is with.*

There are two ways to overcome something, to do it in ourselves, or to do it in God. The kind of life that God is calling us to live is impossible on a human level. So when we are dealing with a power that is greater than self, we can only overcome it in Him.

God hates self-sufficiency, because this person is not poor in spirit, he is able to manage his own life and does not look to God. They trust in themselves that they are righteous (a good person). Or they get involved in a church that Jesus is not Lord over. Or they live in self will- and do not seek a personal relationship with God.

Rom 5:6 For when we were yet without strength (powerless, the inability of man.), *in due time Christ died for the ungodly. (Without worship, to reverence.)* It does not mean irreligious, but one who does not have the spirit of Christ in them.) It is human nature to be religious. Religion is a set of beliefs about God. The ungodly includes the whole human race. The poor in spirit are those who realize they are without strength (God's ability)

Rom 4:5 But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth (to declare righteous) *the ungodly, his faith is accounted* (put to his account) *for righteousness.* (fulfilling the claims of God). When God reveals to us we are ungodly we become poor in spirit- and cry out for salvation, and God accounts our faith in Jesus as righteousness, and gives us a new spirit- our spirit becomes alive to God, but needs to be continually feed and strengthened.

John 4:23 But the hour (particular time) *is coming and now is, when the true* (real, genuine) *worshippers will worship the Father in spirit* (his life) *and truth* (the unveiled reality agreeing with the Spirit); *for the Father seeketh* (look for, strive to find, to desire, require, demand, expect.) *such to worship Him. God is a Spirit; and they that worship him*

must (absolutely necessary) *worship him in spirit* (a right spirit) *and truth*. (Reality, His light illuminating)

When our spirit is quickened-born again-receiving his life-worship flows out of it to the Father. We have a baby spirit born of God and we experience tears of joy because God has become real to us (inside of us.) As we learn to worship God we begin to feel His presence-and His presence strengthens our spirit.

Luke 4:18 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because(to words in the Greek 1-**of place** 2-on account of, by reason of) *He has anointed* (pouring oil upon, set apart and dedicated, designated.)*me to preach the gospel*(the living word) *to the poor;*(utterly helpless, powerless) *he hath sent me to heal* (restore to health)*the brokenhearted*(those whose strength has be broken, to be crushed, their desire has failed to come to pass), *to preach deliverance* (the force and power of sin sent away)*to the captives*(conquered, captives of the devil), *and recovering of sight* (to see, look up)*to the blind*(enveloped with smoke, unable to see clearly, their thinking is messed up) *to set at liberty*(freedom from sin) *them that are bruised,*(crushing of strength, oppressed) *to preach the acceptable year of the Lord.*

After Jesus was baptized in water, the spirit of God descended out of heaven upon him and rested upon him. He was then driven by the spirit-(thrust forth into the wilderness)-to be tempted by the devil. After he overcame the devil by standing upon the word of the Father, the devil left him. He then came out of the wilderness in the Power of

the spirit (after defeating the devil, the anointing upon him was increased.)

He began his ministry in Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and then came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day and stood up to read, the book of Isaiah was given him and he found the place **where** it was written-The spirit of the lord is upon me.

When the word comes alive to us-we hear God speaking (this is the meeting place). When the Spirit of God comes upon us and we are filled with His Spirit-(this is the meeting place, the place where heaven meets earth). Jesus spoke the word with authority-(because he was sent)-He was in the perfect will of God at the right time, the right moment ,doing exactly what the Father wanted him to, he was walking in the living works the Father prepared for Him to walk in.

Jesus was sent to preach the gospel to the poor in spirit, those who recognize their spiritual need and look to him to meet it.

To heal the broken hearted. (Our heart is our spirit and soul.) When the word of God is conceived in our heart our spirit becomes alive to God, but there are still areas of our soul that are dead to God. Our soul is basically our individuality, it is our self awareness. The salvation of the soul is a process.

The spirit is the hidden man of the heart. The soul is the inward man. Our will is related to our spirit, the intents of the heart. Our

thoughts and feelings are more related to our soul .It is in the hidden part that God makes us to know wisdom, and desires truth in the soul

God lives in our spirit, but also desires to live in our soul. We have to be renewed (continuous) in the spirit of our mind. When our spirit is active and awake -in contact with God (-the life of God in our spirit flows into our soul.) When our spirit is in contact with God we feel His feelings. The infilling of the Spirit is when our spirit and soul are alive to God. It is the Spirit coming upon us. When the spirit of God comes upon us, our soul is alive to God, His thoughts and feelings are flowing into our soul, our self awareness is filled with God.

God has to heal our heart. By managing our own lives, through self-will we have been hurt. Most of our problems are results of decisions we made in the past based upon self. To receive healing we have to get our focus off of blaming others and circumstances and see how self-will was involved in them. Relationships, addictions, whatever has caused our heart pain must be healed, and this is a process. We know we are healed when the memories no longer cause pain.

To preach deliverance to the captives. To be delivered is to be lifted up into the presence of God and out of the realm of temptation to the sin that has held us captive. As we live in this secret place of His presence our sight is restored and we are set at liberty.

2Cor 12:9 My grace is sufficient(able to assist, to satisfy.) *for thee; for my strength is made perfect* (occurring now, brought to completion, reaching the intended goal.) *in weakness. Most gladly therefore* (cause

and effect, now-certainly.) *will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the Power* (achieving power) *of Christ may rest* (to visit, to take care of.) *upon me. Therefore I take pleasure* (the willingness and freedom of an intention and decision, to be well-pleased.) *in infirmities* (powerlessness.), *in reproaches, in necessities* (not by choice, a compelling force.), *in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake; for when I am weak* (continuous condition, without strength.), *then I am* (occurring now, existence.) *strong* (able, powerful.)

The poor in spirit have no confidence in themselves, but they have absolute total confidence in Him. It is as they continually look to Him, through repentance, that they are filled with His strength.