

The Responsibility of the Redeemed

Matthew 5:9

Some review on the nature of the Beatitudes:

- Being “blessed” isn’t about how _____, but about what _____ of us.
- The teachings cannot be rightly understood or applied _____ of each other.
- Jesus wasn’t describing certain preferred _____.
- Jesus isn’t what _____ can do (ethics), but what only _____ can do.
- The benefits for living as Jesus requires are both _____ (to a degree) and _____ (ultimately).

At the center of the Beatitudes is _____ ...

A right view of self (v.3)

A compassionate character (v.7)

A right view of sin (v. 4)

A deep desire for God (v.6)

An inward purity (v.8)

A humble dependence (v.5)

A heart for reconciliation (v.9)

⁹ “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

The necessary foundation of “peacemaking” is to be _____.

Am I at peace with _____? (Rom 5:1; Eph 2:13-17, Col 1:20)

Am I at peace with my _____? (Isa 43:18-19, 1 John 1:9, 2 Cor 5:17)

Am I at peace with my _____? (Psa 119:165, James 3:13-4:2a)

Does the peace of Christ _____ my life? (Col 3:15, Phil 4:7)

Peacemaking is – at its core – the activity of _____.

Am I _____ seeking the reconciliation of _____ to God? (2 Cor 5:10-11; 17-20)

Am I actively pursuing peace with other _____? (Eph 4:1-3, Romans 12:18; 14:19, Heb 12:14a, 1 Pet 3:11)

- Take personal _____.
- Learn how to _____.
- Don’t hold _____.
- Learn not to _____.
- Be on guard against your own _____.
- Give _____.

Am I responding biblically to _____ people that upset the peace? (Rom 16:17, Titus 3:10-11)

The reward of peacemaking is to be _____ as God’s own!

Why? _____

To be like – and do like – the “God of peace” (Heb 13:20) and the “Prince of Peace” (Isa 9:6) is our greatest aim and reward!

- 1) No longer at enmity with God, we are _____ as sons and daughters!
- 2) As such, we enjoy the _____ of a Good Father, and
- 3) We receive the _____ reserved for His own.

Being peacemakers won’t make us God’s children. But if we are God’s children, we will be peacemakers!

What I need to do next: