

THE
UPSIDE DOWN
KINGDOM

THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

APRIL 26 – JULY 5

The King Announces His Kingdom

Matthew 4:23-5:5

²³ And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. ²⁴ So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, those having seizures, and paralytics, and he healed them. ²⁵ And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

1 Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

2 And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

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

4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

5 Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.”

Matthew 4:23-5:5 (ESV)

The Blessed Citizens of the Kingdom



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Rich?

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Rich?

Strong?

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Rich?

Strong?

Famous?

The Blessed Citizens of the Kingdom

Self-Reliant?

Rich?

Strong?

Famous?

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Self-Reliant?

Rich?

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Self-Sufficient?

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Self-Reliant?

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Strong?

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Self-Sufficient?

Self-Confident?

The Blessed Citizens of the Kingdom

1) Poor in spirit


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- 2) Those who mourn
- 3) The meek

The Rewards of the Kingdom

The background of the image is a vast, open sky during a sunset or sunrise. The colors transition from a pale blue at the top to a deep, warm orange and red at the bottom. There are numerous small, wispy clouds scattered throughout, catching the light and creating a textured, ethereal appearance. The overall mood is peaceful and hopeful.

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1) Receiving the Kingdom of Heaven

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- 3) Inheriting the Earth

“28 Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Matthew 11:28-30

“4 He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

Revelation 21:4

To what extent do you look like a citizen of
the world's kingdoms? And to what extent
do you look like a citizen of the upside down
kingdom?