

Series: The Upside-Down Kingdom: Following King Jesus In A Broken World

Message: The Foundation Of The Upside Down Kingdom

Scripture: Matthew 5:3-5 (ESV)

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Big Idea: *In order to build the Kingdom, the Kingdom must first be built in us.*

Colossians 1:13-14

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

1. **A Poor Spirit**—Blessed are the poor in Spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven.—**Matthew 5:3**

2 Corinthians 12:9—*My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.*

Isaiah 64:6—*We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment.*

2. **A Mourning Heart**—Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. —**Matthew 5:4**

Isaiah 57:15—*For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite.*

*Cheap grace is the grace we bestow on ourselves. Cheap grace is the preaching of forgiveness without requiring repentance, baptism without church discipline, Communion without confession...Cheap grace is grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ, living and incarnate. —**Dietrich Bonhoeffer***

3. **A Meek Strength**—Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the Earth. —**Matthew 5:5**