

# FINDING HAPPINESS

## HAPPY ARE THOSE PERSECUTED FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS

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- Jesus says your happiness is about being formed into people who reflect the Kingdom of God.
- Happy people, according to Jesus, are:

<u>Humble</u>	Matthew 5:3
<u>Mournful</u>	Matthew 5:4
<u>Meek</u>	Matthew 5:5
<u>Upward, Inward,</u> <u>Outward</u> people (Love)	Matthew 5:6
<u>Merciful</u>	Matthew 5:7
<u>Forgiven</u>	Matthew 5:8
<u>Peacemakers</u>	Matthew 5:9
<u>Persecuted</u>	Matthew 5:10-12

- Happiness is about being transformed into the image of the Son of God for the glory of God. (2 Corinthians 3:16-18)
- Happy people are in the culture, not of the culture, and they transform the culture.

### How Do You Handle Persecution?

- Be happy, you have a great reward coming! (Matthew 5:10-12)
- **Soul-tattoo:** Read and pray through the Sermon on the Mount 3 times a day this week. (Matthew 5:1-12)