

Kingdom Rich

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ARISE, SHINE
YOUR LIGHT HAS COME

Matthew 6:10 Your kingdom
come, Your will be done, on
earth as it is in Heaven.

*Where have you seen the Kingdom
come this year?*

2. Beatitudes:

2.1 Scripture:

Matthew 5 (ESV) The Sermon on the Mount

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

The Beatitudes

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.

6 “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

A group of people, including children and adults, are sitting on the floor in a church, listening to a speaker. The background shows a church interior with stained glass windows and a wooden floor.

7 “Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

8 “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

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

10 “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

The Kingdom

**We want to see the
Kingdom, be blessed!**

- ✓ **Poor in spirit**
- ✓ **Mourn(-ing)**
- ✓ **Meek**
- ✓ **Hungry and Thirsty**
- ✓ **Merciful**
- ✓ **Pure**
- ✓ **Peacemakers**
- ✓ **Persecuted**
- ✓ **Reviled**



3. The Poor in Spirit:

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

Matthew 5:3

3.1 'Blessed':

a. Definition:

Makarios | Greek | mak-ar'-ee-os | A prolonged form of the poetical μάκαρ makar (meaning the same); **supremely blest**; by **extension fortunate, well off**:
- **blessed, happy**

b. Jesus said:

Luke 11:27-28 True Blessedness As He was saying these things, a woman from the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, "The womb that bore You and the one who nursed You are blessed!" 28 He said, "Even more, those who hear the word of God and keep it are **blessed!**"

Hear and obey

3.2 The Kingdom:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the [kingdom of heaven].”

The Kingdom of Heaven

- Is where God is **God for eternity**
- we become apart of through salvation
- Comes **on earth** as it is in heaven
- **NB where the King rule and reign**
- Where the King's will be done
- **See Jesus' truth and life be manifested**
- Everywhere, where it is the **Kings domain**

The opposition: **1 John 2:16** For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world.

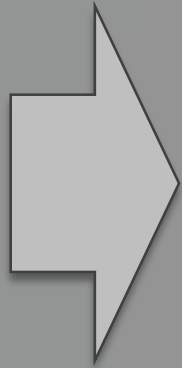
3.3 The Poor in Spirit:

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

What is this?

Greek: POOR – literally and figuratively

Greek: SPIRIT – breath, soul, mental disposition, spiritual life, mind of person

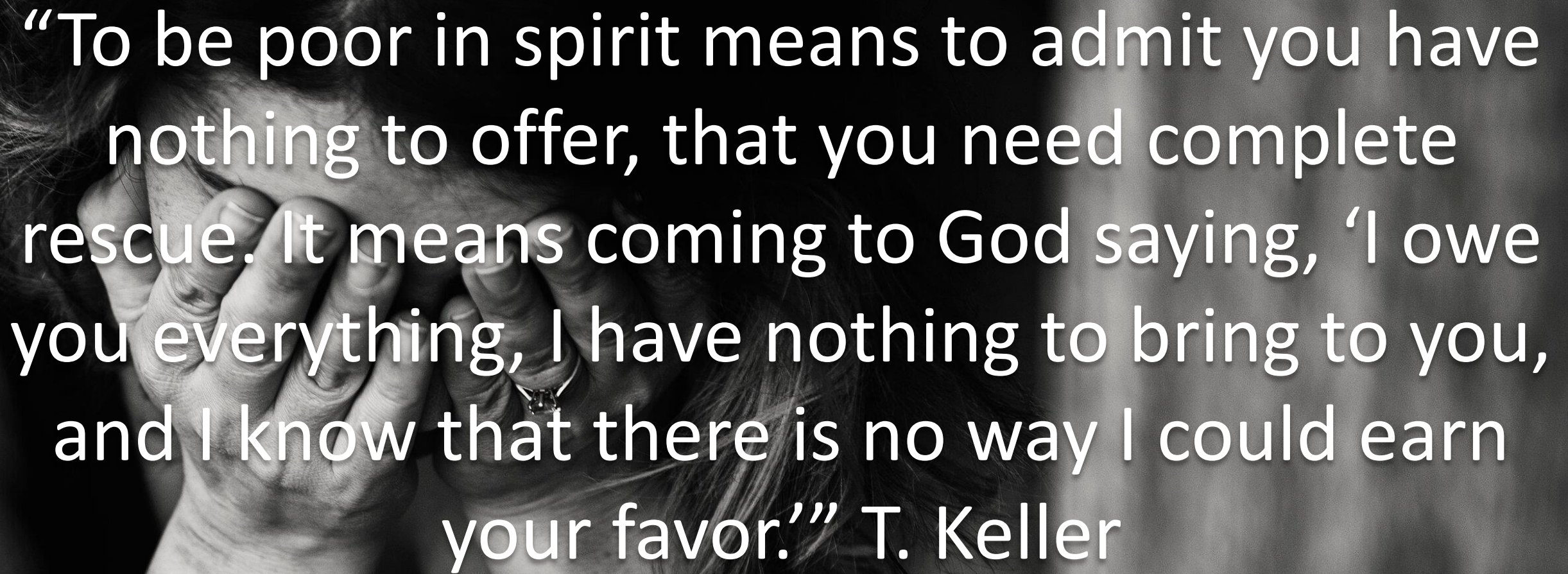


The HEART

"spirit" points to the attitude of the heart and a person's inner disposition before God

The Poor in Spirit:

- It's the acknowledgment that you bring nothing to God and rely entirely on His grace
- Means recognizing one's spiritual poverty and inadequacy
- Humility - admit their weakness and need for God. By grace receive His salvation and Kingdom
- The heart that entirely and totally knows that it needs God for everything and everything of worth, is from God
- To see God correctly and hence, to see yourself correctly
- Right perspective and to have trust



“To be poor in spirit means to admit you have nothing to offer, that you need complete rescue. It means coming to God saying, ‘I owe you everything, I have nothing to bring to you, and I know that there is no way I could earn your favor.’” T. Keller


Poor in Spirit

A man in a dark suit and tie is sitting in a chair, looking off to the side with a thoughtful expression. The background is a plain, light-colored wall. The image is semi-transparent, serving as a background for the text.

Scriptures:

John 6:66 After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. 67 So Jesus said to the twelve, “Do you want to go away as well?” 68 Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, 69 and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.”

1 Kings 3:9 Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people?" **10 It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this.** 11 And God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, 12 behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you. 13 I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor, so that no other king shall compare with you, all your days.



“If you are humble nothing will touch you, neither praise nor disgrace, because you know what you are.”

Mother Teresa

Poor in Spirit

A man with a beard, wearing a dark t-shirt and blue jeans, is sitting on a brown leather sofa. He is looking off to the side with a thoughtful expression, his hand resting against his face. The background is a dark, textured wall.

How do we do it?

“Blessed are the poor
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Let's Pray



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