The Beatitudes: Jesus the Light of the World

GRADE 7

CHAPTER 14 Study Guide

*Keep these ideas in mind as you study **Chapter 14**.*

We long to live in happiness forever with God. Because we are created in the image of God, we naturally desire to seek God.

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In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus began the Sermon on the Mount with the Beatitudes. Each beatitude pairs a gospel truth with a promise of someday knowing it fully in heaven after death.

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People who are poor in spirit depend on and trust in God for all their needs.

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Jesus promised comfort to those who mourn.

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A meek person is gentle and humble. Being gentle takes great strength and courage.

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People who hunger and thirst for righteousness desire to keep their friendship with God.

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Jesus forgave sinners and the people who hurt him. He wants us to do the same. If we are merciful, we too will receive God's mercy.

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People who are clean of heart practice the moral virtue of chastity and show respect for their bodies.

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Jesus brought peace wherever he went. To be a peacemaker, we must first be at peace ourselves.

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Those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness will receive the Kingdom of Heaven. People are still persecuted today for their beliefs.

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