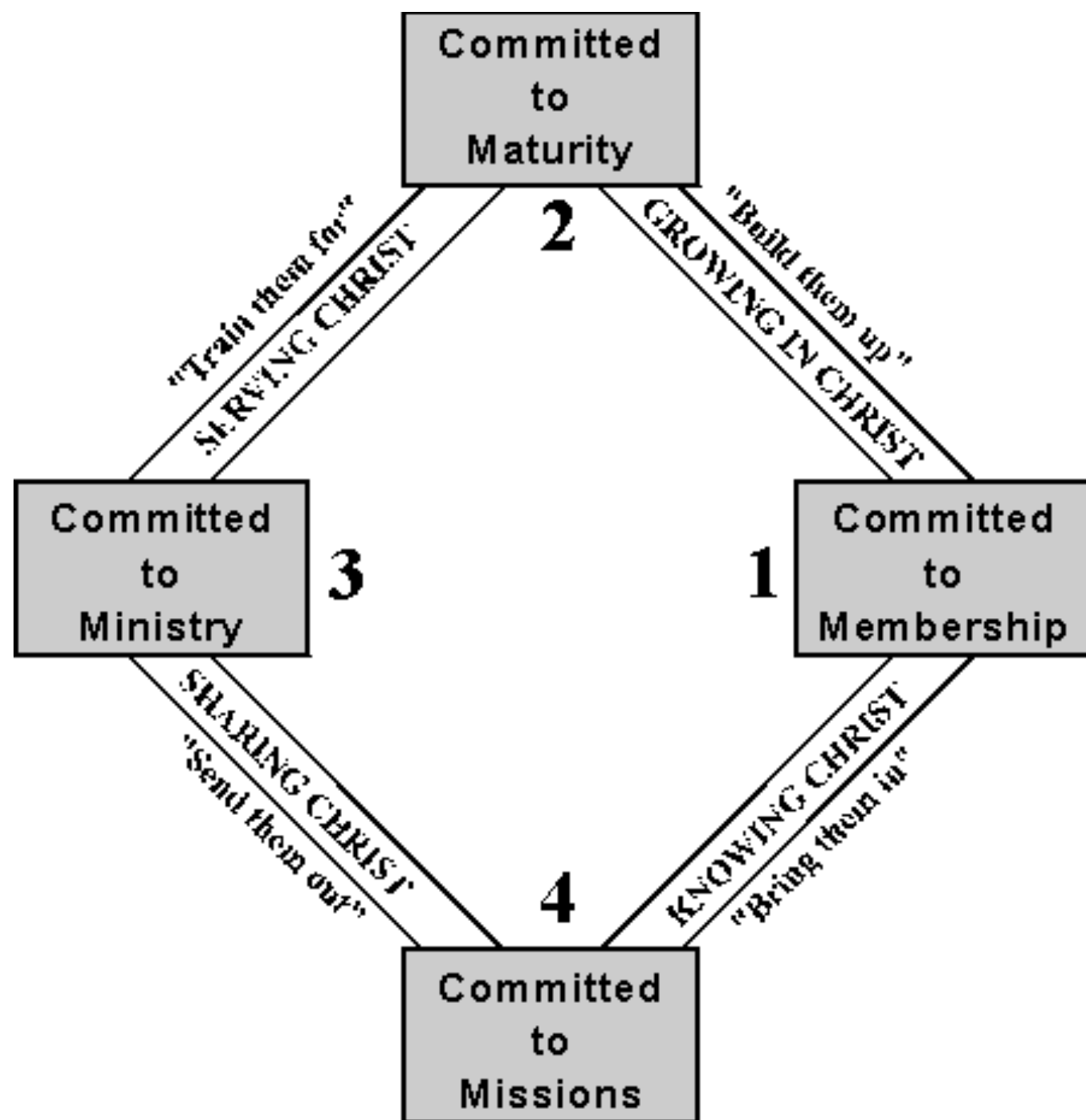


Following Jesus in Our Modern World

Beatitudes Part III



Blessed- Two Words

- Eulogeo
- Makarios

Eulogeo

- to consecrate a thing with solemn prayers to ask God's blessing on a thing
- pray God to bless it to one's use
- pronounce a consecratory blessing on
- of God to cause to prosper, to make happy, to bestow blessings on
- favored of God, blessed

Makaríos

- Happy
- Blessed
- Acknowledges a state of happiness.
- **Acknowledges a quality that is already present**

Incorrect!

- You are blessed because you do...
- Blessed are people who do _____
because they will receive _____.

Mercy

- 1. Compassion focused on feelings or actions.**
2. Extending forgiveness

Matthew 9:36

³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸ therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

Matthew 14:14

³ Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

Mark 1:40-42

⁴⁰ And a leper^[h] came to him, imploring him, and kneeling said to him, “If you will, you can make me clean.” ⁴¹ Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand and touched him and said to him, “I will; be clean.” ⁴² And immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean.

Luke 7:11-14

¹¹ Soon afterward^[c] he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him.

¹² As he drew near to the gate of the town, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a considerable crowd from the town was with her.

¹³ And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, “Do not weep.”

Luke 7:11-14

¹⁴ Then he came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, “Young man, I say to you, arise.” ¹⁵ And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus^[d] gave him to his mother.

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Matthew 18:23-25

²³ “Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants.^[g] ²⁴ When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents.^[h] ²⁵ And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made.

Matthew 18:25-27

²⁶ So the servant^[i] fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' ²⁷ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt.

Matthew 18:28-30

²⁸ But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, ^[j] and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' ²⁹ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' ³⁰ He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt.

Matthew 18:30-33

¹ When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³² Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?'

Matthew 18:34-35

³⁴ And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers,^[k] until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵ **So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”**

Isaiah 6

⁵ And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

Heart Conditions connected to the mouth

Psalm 19:14- Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

Heart Conditions connected to the mouth

Matthew 15:¹⁷ Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth passes into the stomach and is expelled?^[d] ¹⁸ But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this defiles a person. ¹⁹ For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰ These are what defile a person. But to eat with unwashed hands does not defile anyone.”

Heart Conditions connected to the mouth

Luke 6:⁴⁵ The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

Matthew 23

²⁵ “Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you clean the outside of the cup and the plate, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. ²⁶ You blind Pharisee! First clean the inside of the cup and the plate, that the outside also may be clean.



Jeremiah 29:13

³ You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.

Matthew 5

⁹ “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons_[a] of God.

Romans 10:15

As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!”

Jeremiah 29:4-7

⁴ “Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵ Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat their produce. ⁶ Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease.

⁷ But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

Persecution

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.

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There are those who
believe in God, and those
who, just as sincerely,
believe that they believe.

1 Peter 3:13-18

¹³ Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴ But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵ but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect,

¹⁶ having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

¹⁸ For Christ also suffered ^[b] once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God,