

### **The Beatitudes NIV UK**

3 'Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
4 Blessed are those who mourn,  
for they will be comforted.  
5 Blessed are the meek,  
for they will inherit the earth.  
6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they will be filled.  
7 Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will be shown mercy.  
8 Blessed are the pure in heart,  
for they will see God.  
9 Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they will be called children of God.  
10 Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
11 'Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. 12 Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

### **The Beatitudes ESV**

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.  
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 Beatitudes NASB**

3 " Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.  
5 "Blessed are the gentle, for they will inherit the earth.  
6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.  
7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.  
8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.  
9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.  
10 "Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
11 "Blessed are you when *people* insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great; for in this same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

### **The Beatitudes NLT**

3 "God blesses those who are poor and realize their need for him,  
for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.  
4 God blesses those who mourn,  
for they will be comforted.  
5 God blesses those who are humble,  
for they will inherit the whole earth.  
6 God blesses those who hunger and thirst for justice,  
for they will be satisfied.  
7 God blesses those who are merciful,  
for they will be shown mercy.  
8 God blesses those whose hearts are pure,  
for they will see God.  
9 God blesses those who work for peace,  
for they will be called the children of God.  
10 God blesses those who are persecuted for doing right,  
for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.  
11 "God blesses you when people mock you and persecute you and lie about you and say all sorts of evil things against you because you are my followers. 12 Be happy about it! Be very glad! For a great reward awaits you in heaven. And remember, the ancient prophets were persecuted in the same way.

### **The Beatitudes The Message**

3 "You're blessed when you're at the end of your rope. With less of you there is more of God and his rule.  
4 "You're blessed when you feel you've lost what is most dear to you. Only then can you be embraced by the One most dear to you.  
5 "You're blessed when you're content with just who you are—no more, no less. That's the moment you find yourselves proud owners of everything that can't be bought.  
6 "You're blessed when you've worked up a good appetite for God. He's food and drink in the best meal you'll ever eat.  
7 "You're blessed when you care. At the moment of being 'care-full,' you find yourselves cared for.  
8 "You're blessed when you get your inside world—your mind and heart—put right. Then you can see God in the outside world.  
9 "You're blessed when you can show people how to cooperate instead of compete or fight. That's when you discover who you really are, and your place in God's family.  
10 "You're blessed when your commitment to God provokes persecution. The persecution drives you even deeper into God's kingdom.  
11-12 "Not only that—count yourselves blessed every time people put you down or throw you out or speak lies about you to discredit me. What it means is that the truth is too close for comfort and they are uncomfortable. You can be glad when that happens—give a cheer, even!—for though they don't like it, I do! And all heaven applauds. And know that you are in good company. My prophets and witnesses have always gotten into this kind of trouble.