

Sermon Series



# The Beatitudes

Being the Body of Christ





healing  
**community**  
imagination



**The Beatitudes:  
flipping the honour code  
forming the body of Christ**





## **Those without honour**

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

**Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.**

**Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.**

**Blessed are those hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.**


**Matthew 5:3-6 (NIV)**



## **Those who use their honour for good**

**Blessed are the merciful for they will be shown mercy.  
Blessed are the pure in heart for they will see God  
Blessed are the peacemakers for they will be called  
children of God.**

**Matthew 5:7-9 (NIV)**





# Peacemaking



# Jesus' peacemaking

Forming an alternative community to be

- engaged
- non-violent
- free agents (not co-opted)





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**Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

**Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets before you.**

