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Matthew 5:1-3

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"Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them. He said: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven..."

_____: ***"Happy", "Fortunate"***
_____: ***(Root: "Makros") "Large", "Lengthy"***
_____: ***"Profound joy and fulfillment of God's favor."***

1. GOD'S _____ IS FOR YOU TO LIVE THE FULLEST ___ POSSIBLE

Matthew 5:3

"Blessed are the poor in spirit..."

2. A FULL LIFE BEGINS WITH ACKNOWLEDGING YOUR _____ POVERTY

Poor In Spirit: *"Those who have realized their own utter helplessness before God"*

Luke 18:10-12

"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people -robbers, evildoers, adulterers -or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.'"

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Luke 18:13-14

"But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.' "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God.

ACKNOWLEDGING MY SPIRITUAL POVERTY:

• *GUARDS AGAINST THE DECEPTION OF _____*

Luke 18:11

"'God, I thank you that I am not like other people -robbers, evildoers, adulterers -or even like this tax collector..."

ACKNOWLEDGING MY SPIRITUAL POVERTY:

• *FREES ME FROM _____ RELIGION*

Luke 18:12

" ...I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.'"

ACKNOWLEDGING MY SPIRITUAL POVERTY:

• *ENGAGES ME IN A LIFE OF _____ AND _____*

Luke 18:13

"(He) beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner."

3. OUT OF YOUR POVERTY FLOWS THE _____ OF GOD'S _____

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John 1:16
"Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given.

Matthew 5:3
"...theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

Kingdom of Heaven: *"Wherever God's will is effectively carried out"*

Matthew 6:10
"...your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

Matthew 16:19
"I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

Matthew 10:8
"Freely you have received; freely give."

There is profound ___ and fulfillment for those who have realized their own utter helplessness before God for, by His _____, they have entered into life as He _____.