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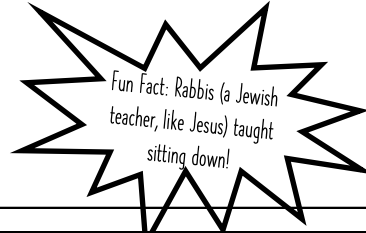
The Beatitudes Matthew 5:1-12



What's the Big Idea?

What does the word "blessed" mean to you? Instead of thinking of being blessed as extra lucky (ex: I got a TON of Christmas gifts...I'm so blessed), try thinking of being blessed as being made holy, or comforted. In fact, try reading about The Beatitudes in pages 264-267 of your Spark Story Bible, or Matthew 5:1-12 of another Bible and replace the word "blessed" with "holy" or "comforted."

We learn through The Beatitudes that Jesus blesses (comforts) many people the world does not.



Read the Story!

In your Spark Story Bible, read pages 264-267.

Can you find Squiggles?



Need a Bible? Contact Sarah!

Talk About It

Enjoy time of curiosity and conversation with a trusted grown up:

1. What will people be like in the kingdom of God?
2. If Jesus gave this talk to your school, which groups would he comfort by saying, "Blessed are..."?
3. What other groups or people can you think of to add to Jesus' list and what would be their comfort? (i.e. Blessed are those who work with unwanted animals, for they will be with the lovely creatures in heaven.)
4. Together, write a blessing for someone who could use some comfort or strength. Offer the blessing to this person by mailing them the card or reading it to them on a virtual video call.

Pray: Dear God, when we remember the Beatitudes, we can hope for relief from what seem like impossible problems and overwhelming suffering. Thank you for sending Jesus as a teacher and example of how to live in your kingdom while on this earth. In Jesus' name, we ask for your blessing. Amen.

Live It Together

Try memorizing a blessing. Once it's in your memory, you will ALWAYS have it with you and can remember it when you need comfort or want to comfort others who are in need of a blessing.

Here's a great blessing to memorize: "I am a beloved child of God."

What are some other words of comfort that your family shares with each other? Have you ever thought of those as being blessings?

Memorize It

Have a grown up help you text or email a video of yourself saying this week's memory verse to Sarah and she'll add a star under your name on the Memory Verse Star Chart! When you get to 10 stars, Sarah will send you a fun prize.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Matthew 5:1

Contact Sarah at Cell: 612.201.2916 or Email: solson@trinitylc.org

Blessing Box

Create your very own Blessing Box! Find an empty shoe box, Kleenex box, or box-like-container. Fill your box with slips of paper of ways you can be a blessing to your family and friends. Each day, draw a slip and do what it says. Use your own slips of paper, or use the ones provided below. After you've finished this bulletin, cut out your blessings and add them to your box. Feeling extra crafty? Decorate your blessing box!



The Beatitudes

Jesus began to teach the people.

