



Sunday, February 13, 2022  
Beatitudes \* Luke 6:17-26



## What's the Big Idea?

### Jesus Blesses Everyone!

Jesus was purposeful about caring for people who were hurting, hated, and hungry, and he got really frustrated with people who ignored their needs. The Beatitudes Jesus teaches about in today's story remind us that those who are suffering or facing challenges are blessed by and cared for by God.

What does it mean to be "blessed?" We often hear the word "blessed" used to describe success, fortune, or happiness: *I'm so blessed to have a beautiful house*, for example. When the word blessing is used in that way, it can seem like some of us are winners and others are losers. But Jesus helps us understand through the beatitudes that everyone's well-being matters to God. Being blessed means that we share the gifts we have been given, whether that's our time, talent, or treasures, with others so that we are all winners. We are blessed to be a blessing means we take care of each other!



### Read It

Find this week's story on pages 264-267 of your Spark Story Bible.

Where do you see Squiggles this week?



### Try It

Be a blessing to someone by brightening their day! Is there a driveway you could shovel? Cookies you could bake for someone? If you're stumped, try out this DIY flower to give to someone!

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=64IPi\\_JTp\\_w](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=64IPi_JTp_w)



### Talk About It

- 1) Jesus taught the people about God's blessings from a mountainside. Where do you go to learn about God?
- 2) God blesses all of us. What ways has God blessed you?
- 3) God's blessings can come in unexpected ways. When has God blessed you in a way you didn't expect?
- 4) What do you think God's blessings look like? Can we see all blessings? Why or why not?

**Pray:** God, the world tells us that it is the rich who are blessed, the poor must have done something to deserve it, and the hungry can get by with the scraps. But you tell us that those who are bullied, scorned and disrespected are blessed. Help us turn our understanding around so that we may follow your ways over the ways of the world. Amen.

### Memorize It

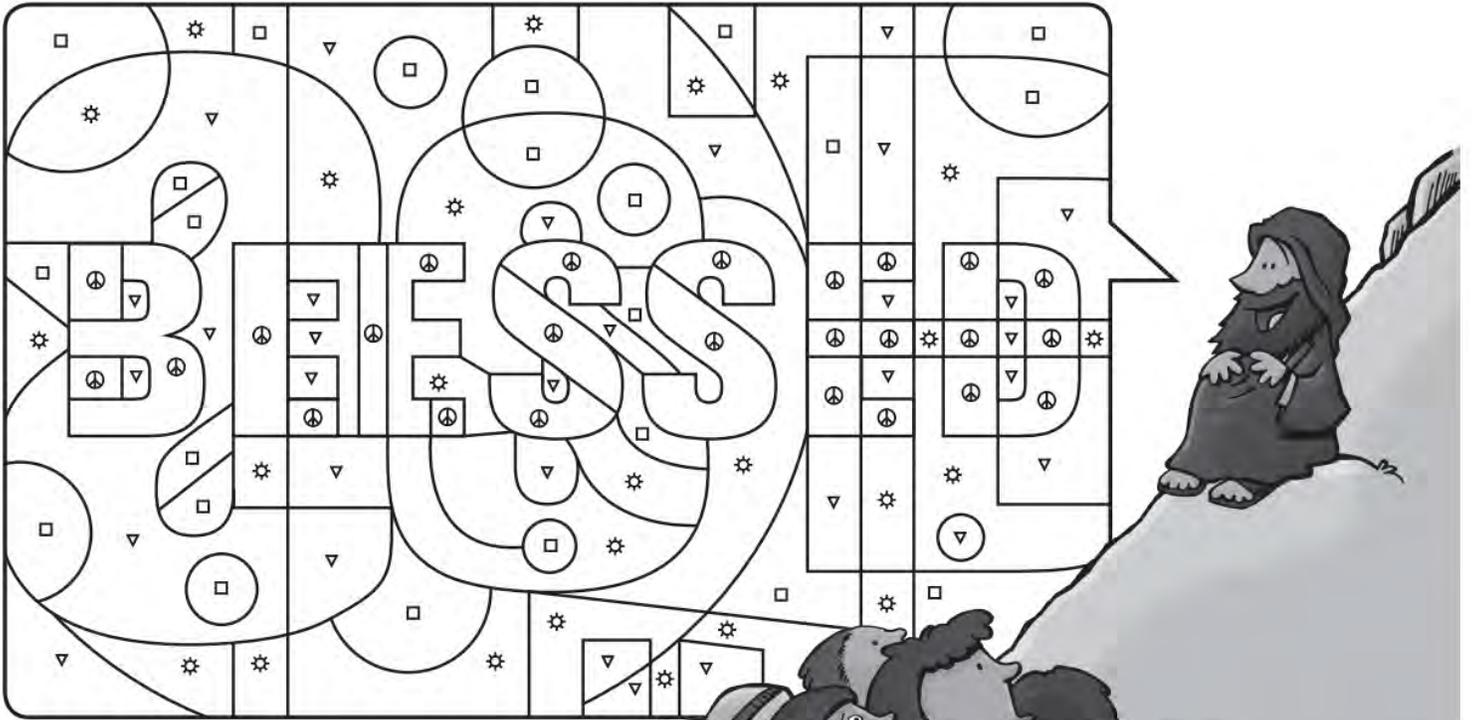
Challenge yourself to memorize the following verse of the week.

**"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled."** Luke 6:21a

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## Jesus Blesses

Color all the pieces with the peace sign. Jesus told the people on the mountain, You are \_\_\_\_\_.



## Mountains of Blessings

Jesus taught the crowds about God's blessings from the mountainside. Find your way along the words of blessing in the maze until you get to the top of the mountain.

