

BLESSSED  
are they

The Beatitudes (Mat 5.3-12)

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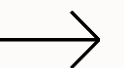
WHAT DOES  
IT MEAN TO  
BE HAPPY?

“Blessed are They”

“Americans have always had a thing about happiness. We all have certain unalienable rights, declares our Declaration of Independence, among them “life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.”

So then, a couple of centuries into the chase, how are we doing?

Alas, only so-so...”  
(Pew Research Center Report)



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# OUR VISION

“Blessed are They”

“Then he began to teach them...” (Mat 5.2)



“When he saw the crowds, he went up the mountain. And after he sat down, his disciples came to him...” (Mat 5.1)



BLESSED  
ARE THE  
POOR.

The **Poor in Spirit**

(5.3; Isa 61.1)

Those who **Mourn**

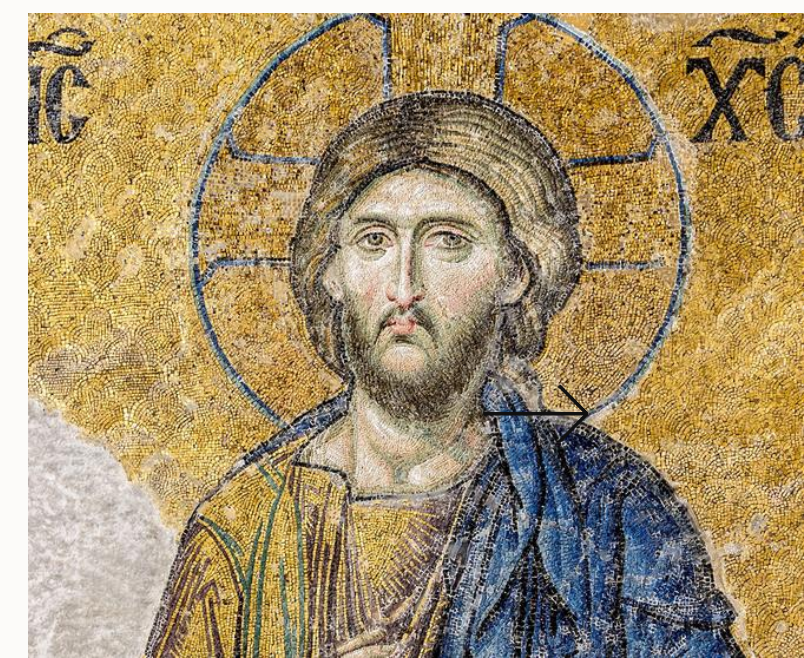
(5.4; Isa 61.2–3)

Those who are **Humble**

(5.5; Psa 37.11. 22. 34)



Mat 5.3–5



Those Who **Hunger and Thirst for Righteousness** (5.6; Isa 61.4–7)

Those Who are **Merciful**  
(5.7; 9.13; 12.7; 15.21–28)

Those Who are **Pure in Heart**  
(Mat 5.8; 15.1–20; 23.25–28; Psa 24)

BLESSED ARE  
THOSE PURSUING  
RIGHTEOUSNESS.



Mat 5.6–8



BLESSED ARE  
THOSE WHO  
MAKE PEACE.

## The **Peacemakers**

(5.9; Isa 9.5–7; Zcr 9.9f; Psa 85.10)

## Those who are **Persecuted**

(5.10)

## Those who are **Reviled**

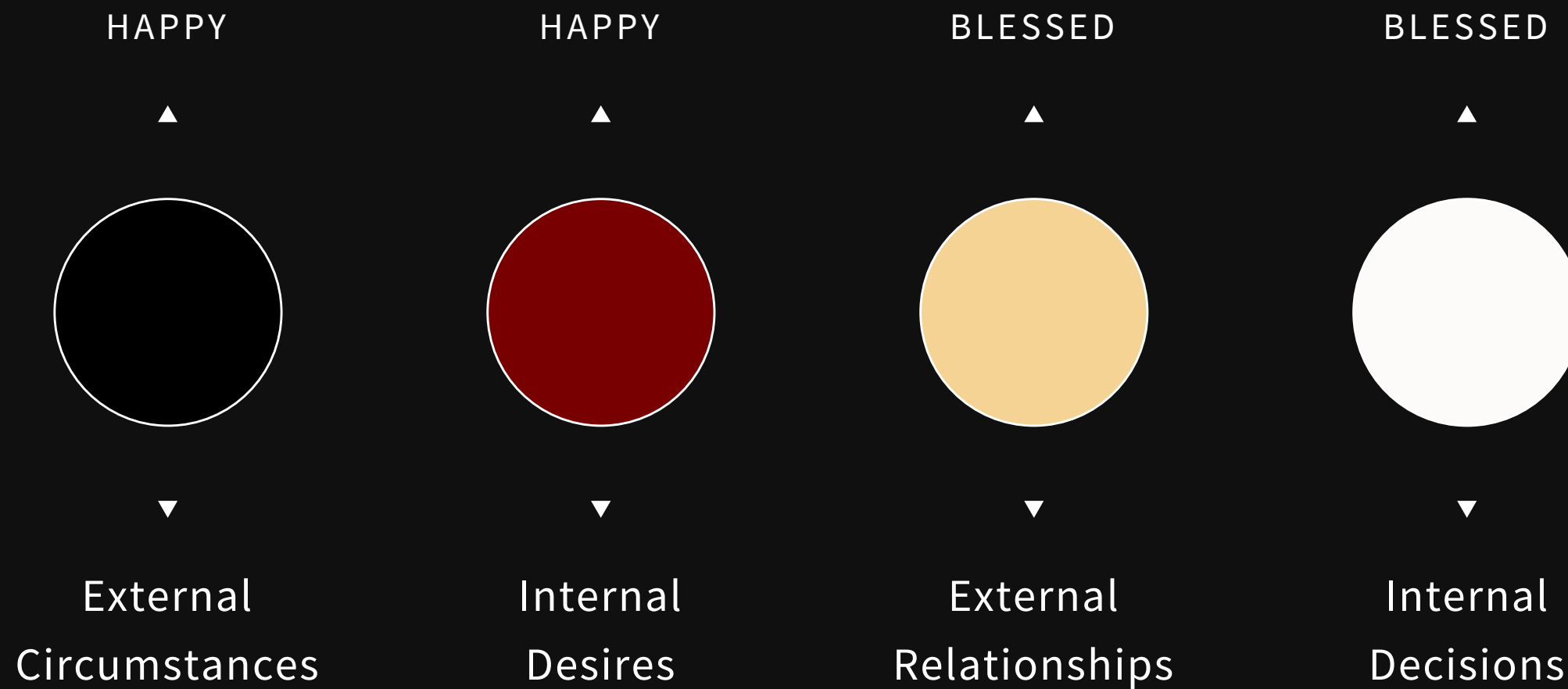
(5.11–12)



Mat 5.9–12



# HAPPY OR BLESSED?



“ F O L L O W M E ”