

Today's Topic: When we want to give up... Matthew 5:3, 11:28-30 Sunday, September 11, 2022

# 1. God's Truth

"Blessed are ... " Matthew 5:3 (NIV, 2011)

## 2. Our Truth

"... the poor in spirit ..." Matthew 5:3 (NIV, 2011)

#### 3. God's Promise

"... for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 5:3 (NIV, 2011)

The "kingdom of heaven" describes a place where God gets what God wants, and the good news of the Gospel is that Jesus has come to make earth that kind of place.

## 4. Our Present

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Matthew 11:28-30 (NIV, 2011)

#### **The Point:**

Next Steps: Make two lists...

# **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. What does it mean to be "blessed"? What does it mean to "bless" someone else?
- 2. Take a few minutes to "count your blessings" as a group. Share some of the ways that God has blessed you.
- 3. What do you think it means to be "poor in spirit"? Share with the group a time when you may have been "poor in spirit".
- 4. Describe in your own words the "kingdom of heaven" that Jesus promises.
- 5. What does Jesus mean when He tells us that that kingdom belongs to those who are poor in spirit? How does having that kingdom help them with their struggle?
- 6. What truth from this study will you think about and try to apply throughout the coming week?