

The Beatitudes



Read:

Matthew 5:3-11

He said:

³"Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.

⁵Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the earth.

⁶Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be filled.

⁷Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.

⁸Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they will see God.

⁹Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹"Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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Jesus' Instructions for Living

Jesus taught the multitudes of people from the side of a mountain. The Beatitudes include the first part of what is known as the Sermon on the Mount.

How many Beatitudes are listed in the scripture passage?

How do you think Jesus knew what to teach the people?

Why is God concerned that we have pure hearts?



Match the Beatitudes

Match each Beatitude blessing with its promise from God.

___ Blessed are the poor in spirit...

___ Blessed are they that mourn...

___ Blessed are they who hunger & thirst for righteousness...

___ Blessed are the merciful...

___ Blessed are the pure in heart...

___ Blessed are the peacemakers...

___ Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness sake...

A. They shall obtain mercy.

B. They shall be comforted.

C. They shall see God.

D. They shall be filled.

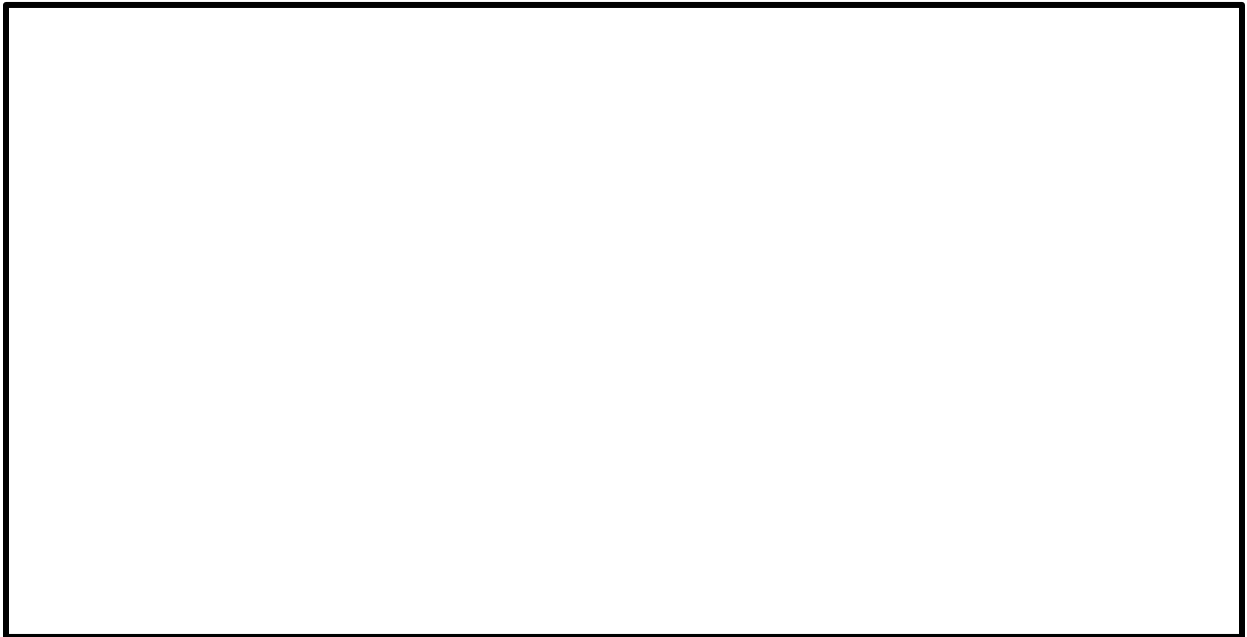
E. Theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

F. They shall inherit the earth.

G. They shall be called children of God.

H. Great is their reward in heaven.

Choose your favorite Beatitude & illustrate God's promise for those who keep it in the space below.

A large empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for a student to draw an illustration of a Beatitude and its promise.



What does it mean to be meek?

How did Jesus show meekness?

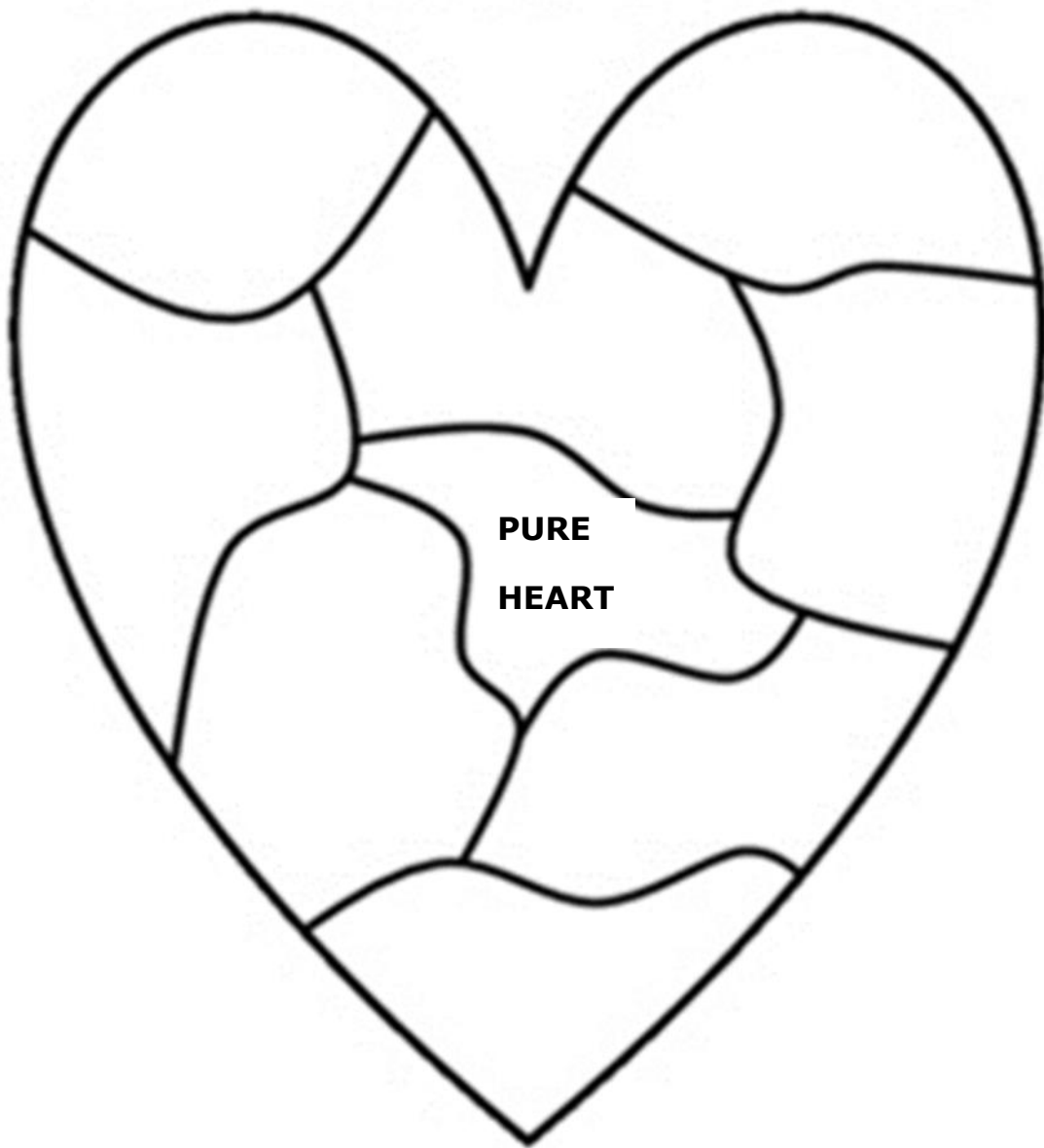
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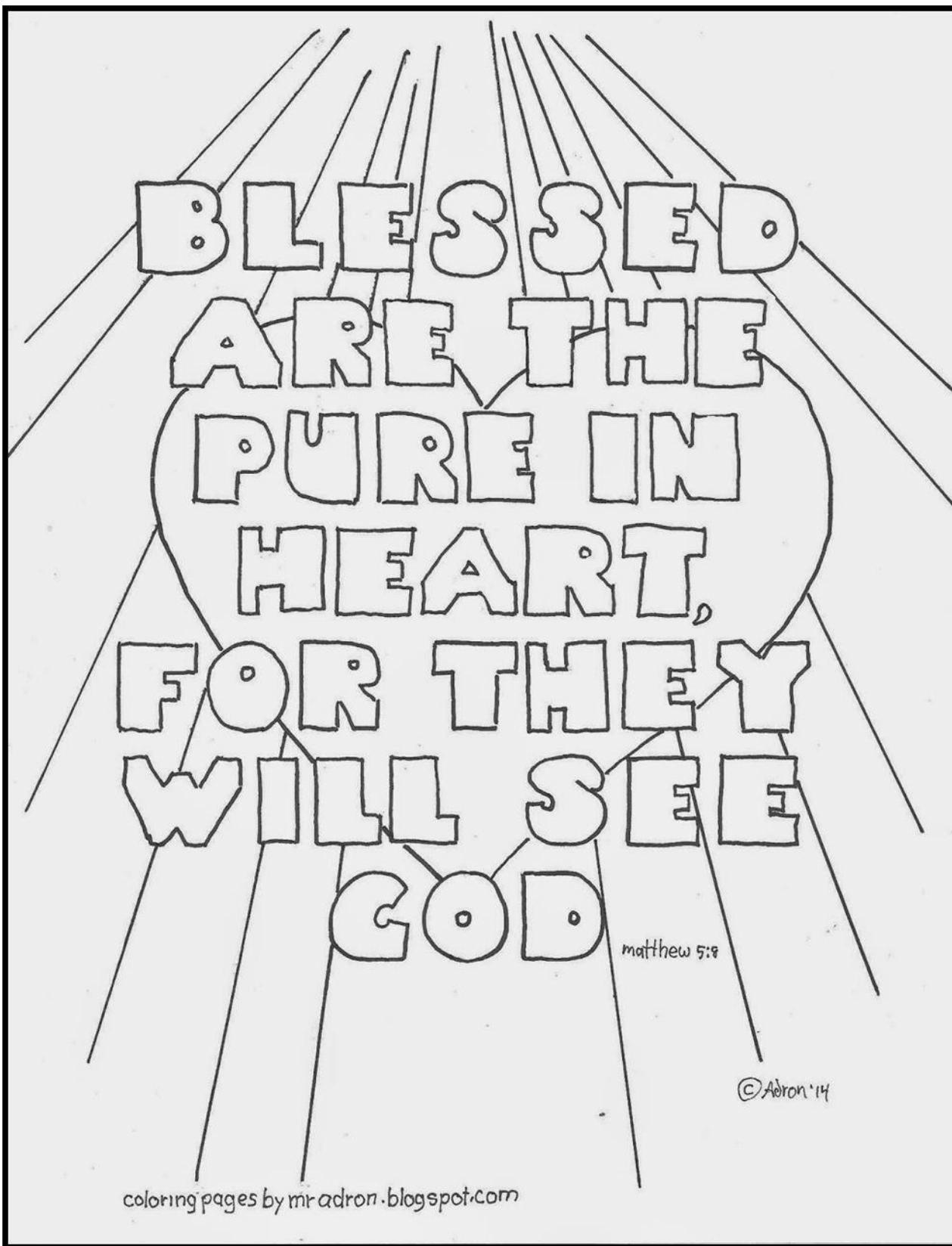
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MEEK
MOURN
PEACEMAKER
MERCIFUL
HUNGER
RIGHTEOUSNESS
PERSECUTED
PURE
INHERIT
REJOICE

A Pure Heart

The Beatitudes describe someone with a pure heart for God. Jesus promises that those with a pure heart will be blessed. In each part of the heart, place one of the Beatitudes (ex. – hunger for what is right, peacemakers, etc.). Color the ones that describe you!





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matthew 5:8

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