

# be different be blessed

Message Title: **What Were You Expecting?**

Matthew 5:3-12 | Sunday AM, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 | Pastor Allen Cox

**3** Blessed are the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

**4** Blessed are those who mourn, For they shall be comforted.

**5** Blessed are the meek, For they shall inherit the earth.

**6** Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled.

**7** Blessed are the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy.

**8** Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see God.

**9** Blessed are the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God.

**10** Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

**11** Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake.

**12** Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

## Introduction

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### **3. Expectations of Christ**

A. We reign with Him

B. We rejoice in His promises

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**BE A DOER.** Your responsibility, by God’s enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Phil 2:12-13; 1 Tim 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you mediate on this message, ask yourself these questions: (1) How does God want my beliefs/actions to change? (2) How can I accomplish this change? (3) What is the first step toward bringing about this change?