

## **CHRISTIAN LIVING**

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### **THE BEATITUDES**

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“And seeing the multitudes, he went up into the mountain: and when he had sat down, his disciples came unto him: and he opened his mouth and taught them saying, Blessed are the poor in spirit;...are they that mourn:...are the meek:...are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness:...are the merciful: are the pure in heart:... are the peacemakers: ... are they that have been persecuted for righteousness’ sake:...are ye when men shall reproach you, and persecute you, and say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.” (Matthew 5:1-12) Each is evidence of belonging to God.

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### **NEW MAN**

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1. “If so be that ye heard him, and were taught in him, even as truth is in Jesus: that ye put away, as concerning your former manner of life, the old man that waxeth corrupt after the lusts of deceit; and that ye be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and put on the new man, that after God hath been created in righteousness and holiness of truth.” (Eph. 4:21-24).
  2. “Wherefore if any man is in Christ, he is a new creature: the old things are passed away: behold, they are become new.” (II Cor. 5:17).
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### **LIVING SACRIFICE**

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“I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present you bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service. And be not fashioned according to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God.” (Romans 12:1,2).

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### **EXHORTATION**

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“And we exhort you, brethren, admonish the disorderly, encourage the faint hearted, support the weak, be longsuffering toward all. See that none render unto any one evil for evil; but always follow after that which is good, one toward another, and toward all. Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus to you - ward. Quench not the Spirit; despise not prophesying; prove all things: hold fast that which is good; abstain from every form of evil.” (I Thess. 5:17-22).

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### **FINISH THE COURSE**

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1. “And if also a man contend in the games, he is not crowned, except he have contended lawfully.” (II Tim. 2:5).
  2. “Let us run with patience the race that is set before us.” (Heb. 12:1).
  3. “I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give to me at that day; and not to me only, but also to all them that have loved his appearing.” (II Tim. 4:7,8)
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