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CHOSEN BIBLICAL New Testament SCRIPTURE-



This month's *coloured attachment* scripture is **MATTHEW 5:3-**

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THE BEATITUDES

The Beatitudes are part of a unit of delivery material which is in five distinct parts that includes blessings, ethical instruction and teachings between Jewish Tradition of 'religious works' and the confirmation of the teaching of Jesus in order with the Old Testament, but inwardly and not externally.

They are blessings declared by Jesus upon those whose lives exhibit particular qualities or characteristics. **Blessings are spiritual and material benefits given by God to be enjoyed. God is the source of all blessings.**

The Beatitudes is a declaration of New Teaching, and like the old was given from a mountain, though Jesus being far superior to Moses.

One who is truly rich is one who is wise, upright, humble, obedient and faithful. **Those who humbly acknowledge their need of God's help will enjoy everything in the Kingdom of God.** Those who are sorrowful because of the power of sin in the world will have their sorrow turned to joy.

Those who pursue their own ambitions will not be those who want God's will to be done, nor will they be satisfied. People who realise the greatness of God's mercy will give mercy and receive more from God. Those with a pure heart with no hidden motives try to please God.

These blessings are in a certain order on purpose, for spiritual understanding and betterment. The first four and 'blessed sayings' are composed of **the ideal heart condition and attitude** of mind for Kingdom citizens. The later present actions from that disposition.

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Interesting Bible Facts



CHRIST AS SEEN IN THE BOOK



OF MATTHEW

Jesus is The Messiah King, Son of David, Son of the Living God, Lion, Strength and Authority, The Promised One, Fulfiller the promise of prophets and The Law. Promised Saviour, Fulfiller of The Covenants.

★ **BIBLICAL KNOWLEDGE-** Did you know that Stephen, a disciple full of The Holy Spirit, was one of the first deacons in the Jerusalem Church and was the first Christian martyr? He was taken by the Jewish Authorities and stoned to death for believing that Jesus of Nazareth was The Christ, The Son of God. He also was a powerful preacher, a man of faith who knew God's Word.

A Colouring Page of the martyrdom of Stephen is at <http://www.tne.net.au/~abdaacts/stephen2.html>



AN OCTOBER EVENT-Damian, a Benedictine monk, advocated a life of extreme strictness. In denying worldly pleasures, he used to whip himself, and he taught the practice to others. **Monks and Nuns began lashing themselves while reciting the Psalms.** Each psalm was accompanied by 100 strokes with a leather strap to the bare back to serve as an act of self-punishment. Some monks flogged themselves to death. **Self-flagellation** remained localized and limited to monasteries. but the flagellant movement was repeatedly reignited with bands of enthusiasts appeared in all areas of Europe. They marched from town to town, dressed in white, with red crosses on caps and mantles, singing hymns and carrying banners. They camped in public squares, and twice daily they bared themselves to the waist, fell to their knees and scourged themselves. On **October 20, 1349** self-flagellation was condemned by a papal bull. **Humankind can never pay for their sins by their own blood.** By *His* stripes humans are forgiven. **Christian bodies are temples to be guarded,** not abused. Flagellants were used in Rome as late as 1870, and today there are isolated outbreaks.



God Bless.
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Lord God Almighty, Those who put their trust in You should continually shout for joy. We give You thanks, in Jesus Name. AMEN

