

### Let's Practice Jesus' Blessed Life!

*"Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you when people insult you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you. Mathew 5:10-12*

#### *Blessed are those who are persecuted*

- In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted.  
II Timothy 3:12

- Persecution means to be \_\_\_\_\_ out, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ down.

- Persecution does not mean \_\_\_\_\_.  
If you suffer, it should not be as a murderer or thief or any other kind of criminal, or even as a meddler. I Peter 4:15

- Persecution is a \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ of a person's faith

#### 1. *because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.* v.10

Not because of \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 2. *because of me* v. 11

*Blessed are you when people insult you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me.*

If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rest on you. I Peter 4:14

*"If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first. If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you. Remember the words I spoke to you: 'No servant is greater than his Master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you also....they will treat you this way because of my name..." John 15:18-21*

**3. *Because great is your reward in heaven, v.12***

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