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- "Blessed are..."
 - The sense of the word:
 - "One who receives divine favor."
 - In a secondary way it means one who is "happy" or "privileged" due to receiving divine favor.
 - Different renderings of Matthew 5:3
 - "Happy the poor in spirit..." (YLT).
 - "God blesses those who are poor and realize their need for him" (NLT).
 - "humble men are very fortunate!..." (TLB *Paraphrase).

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- The Character of Disciples:
 - The character of the Master The character of the disciples.
 Matt. 10:25
 - Character of the kingdom
 (Matt. 5:3-4; 2 Kings 22:11; Matt. 5:5-7; 6:14-15; 5:8-12)

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- Rejoice and Be Glad:
 - Note the blessings attached to each trait (Matt. 5:3-12).
 - Blessings are tied to the receiving of divine favor.
 - To be in Christ is to be in the kingdom. To begin to possess the character of the kingdom.
 - In Christ, all spiritual blessings are had (Eph. 1:3).