# Fort Payne church of Christ

May 24, 2020



#### **Schedule of Services**

#### Live Stream at the following times:

- Worship Sunday Morning at 10:45 AM
- Worship Sunday Evening at 6:00 PM
- **Bible Study Wednesday Night** at 6:30 PM

#### Live Stream available on:

- Fort Payne Church of Christ Facebook page
- **YouTube search for Fort** • Payne Church of Christ.
- www.Fortpaynecoc.org select watch live

### What Must I DO To Be Saved?

Hear	Romans 10:13-17
Believe	Mark 16:16
Repent	Acts 2:38
Confess	Matt. 10:32
Be Baptized	Mark 16:16

#### GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

Special Prayer Request

Pray for our country that God will not turn His back on us; that good, God-fearing leaders will lead us back to Him!

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#### **FPCOC On The Air**

WFTP-LP FM103.9

Fort Payne Christian Radio

- 256-844-8334

- 256-996-6414

- 256-996-6766

Sunday Morning/Evening Worship — Live on Radio 11:00am/6:00pm

Live Streaming on

— All Worship Services and Bible Studies

Jimmy Holland — Sunday @ 7am Charter 183

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

# The Poor Who Become Rich

(Matthew 5:3)

Beginning in v.3 of Matthew 5, Jesus begins the greatest sermon that has ever been preached. We refer to this sermon as the Sermon on the Mount. In this great sermon, Jesus explains to us the characteristics that He expects His disciples to possess. He shows a contrast between what the world says a religious person is and between what God says a religious person is to be. In introduction of this sermon, Jesus discusses the "beatitudes." These are important because it shows us the possibility of personal happiness ("blessed", or "happy"). These attitudes challenge us to become the type of person the Lord wants us to be. And they expose any superficial approach to Christianity.

All of these beatitudes are to be a manifestation in the life of each Christian. To be "poor in spirit" is the foundation for all the beatitudes. In this week's article, we will discuss the meaning of this attitude, the manifestation of this attitude, and the result of such an attitude. Over the next following weeks, we will discuss each of these beatitudes.

**The Meaning.** This beatitude does not mean that one is weak, lacking in courage, no initiative, or has a type of stoic withdrawal from life. "Poor" is found 34 times in the New Testament and identifies one who is destitute. This beatitude simply identifies a person who understands that they are spiritually destitute and are in need of God's saving grace. This attitude allows us to understand that we cannot save ourselves based upon our own merit and goodness. Therefore, I must do what God will have me to do. This beatitude brings us face to face with God.

**The Manifestation.** We see the manifestation of this attitude in the Publican of Luke 18:13-13. This man clearly understood how helpless he was. He would not even lift his eyes towards heaven, but simply asked for God to have mercy on him. This attitude is a necessity for anyone who wants to become a child of God. Without humility, a person will not admit that they are wrong and are in need of help.

**The Result.** Jesus reveals that the Kingdom of Heaven is for those who possess this beatitude. Paul tells us in Col. 1:12-14, that this kingdom is what we become a part of when we become children of God. It is in this kingdom that we have the forgiveness of sins. Without being "poor in spirit" we will not inherit the kingdom of heaven.

How do we become "poor in spirit?" We examine ourselves (2 Cor. 13:5) and give up the attitudes of selfrighteousness, pride, conceit, and arrogance. When we are poor in spirit, then the Lord can come into our hearts to rule and reign. The poor in spirit become rich in the kingdom.

## Jimmy

May Birthdays	Prayer Request	Rejoice	
Jim Cunningham1Amanda Renfroe3Rachel Strickland8Cooper Payne10Leah Taylor16Aiden Payne17Kenneth McDonald20	<ul> <li>** Scott Azbell — scheduled to have an MRI June 8th to see if they can find the source of pain in his left shoulder, arm, and numbness/tingling of my left finger tips.</li> <li>** Raymond Boyd — health issues</li> <li>** Kaye Bradshaw — health issues — dealing with pain</li> <li>** Max Burke — Derek Burke and Peggy Williams' Dad — health issues</li> <li>** Debra Dawson — health issues</li> <li>** Sonya Elrod — fractured bone in her ankle and torn ligaments — healing, but still</li> </ul>	We have a new sister. <b>Donna Terrell</b> made the good con- fession and was bap- tized into Christ last Sunday morning. Be sure to welcome her into our family.	
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<i>May Anniversaries</i> Jim & Bettina	will return in about a month to have surgery on the other foot ** Gary Bowen — SRO at Collinsville school where Amy Robertson teaches — has been moved to Lakeshore rehab for a few days — hopefully will return to hospital in 6 to 8 weeks for knee replacement surgery ** Shepherd Gideon Knight — 1 year old — his parents are members of the Lord's Church in TN — there were com-		
	plications when he was born, and he has multiple health issues — is still having some respilast Wednesday ** Lisa Marie Lyons — cancer — taking second round of chemo — will have 4 treatments ** Margie Roden — Randy Turner's sister — on Hospice care — not doing well ** Louise Tomlin — Debra Dawson's Mother — health issues	iratory issues, is at home	