#### **FALL ON THE MOUNT: Part 2**

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**Scripture Reading:** 5:3-10

### A Different Kind of Manifesto

Manifesto: a bold statement of ideals and principles with a resulting call to action.

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# The early church that lived out this manifesto (or anti-manifesto) turned their world upside down!

"These who have turned the world upside down have come here too." - Acts 17:6 NKJV

- Where in our world are followers of Jesus living out the manifesto of these beatitudes?
- Where in our world are followers of Jesus turning the world upside down?

#### The first and last beatitude act like bookends for the rest:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit,

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven...

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

## "Repent, for the Kingdom of God is at hand"

- What is \_\_\_\_\_ but a declaration of POVERTY OF SPIRIT!
- A spiritual version of declaring bankruptcy!

The real way to know that humility and poverty of spirit is being achieved is exactly when we can be humbled without the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of humiliated!

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## A MATTER OF COMPARISON:

## Compare myself against others

(pride and self righteousness take root)

## Compare myself against Jesus

(humility and gratefulness take root)