

February 13, 2022 Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time



Gospel – Adapted from Luke 6:17, 20-26

Jesus came down with the Twelve Apostles, and stood on an area of flat ground with a great crowd of his disciples and a large number of people from all of Judea and Jerusalem, and the region of Tyre and Sidon by the coast. Jesus said to his disciples:

"Blessings will come to the poor, for they will have the Kingdom of God. Blessings will come to those who are hungry, for they will be fed. Blessings will come to those who are sad, for they will laugh. You are blessed when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you because of me; you will have a great reward in Heaven. Their ancestors treated the prophets in the same way.

"But sadness is coming to those who are rich, for they have already had their comfort. Sadness is coming to those who are full, for they will be hungry. Sadness is coming to those who laugh now, for they will be sorrowful. Sadness is coming if people all speak well of you now, for their ancestors treated the false prophets in the same way."



2 Reflection

Jesus says something very unexpected in today's Gospel. He says that those who will receive blessings are the poor, the hungry, the suffering, and those who are hated by others. This was especially strange to the people who were listening to Jesus at the time. They thought that being poor or suffering was a sign that God was punishing a person. Jesus tells them otherwise. Jesus has a Heart for the poor and suffering, and those who are rejected by others. He will comfort them and love them.

On the other hand, Jesus has warnings for the rich and powerful. They have received much from the world. If they just enjoy their comforts and ignore the poor and suffering whom Jesus loves, they will not receive blessings, but sadness.

In the Gospel, Jesus is reminding us of what is truly important. He wants us to remember that God offers us eternal life; life here on earth is not eternal. If we are suffering now, we must keep our eyes on Jesus and remember that He loves us. If we are blessed now, we must remember that these blessings are to be shared. We should not love our money or our comfort. We still must stay focused on our love of God, and remember that the life He wants us to have in Heaven is the greatest life there is, and it is most important.

3 Discussion Questions

What blessings that we have on earth can distract us from desiring Heaven?

Do we love the poor and suffering the way Jesus does? How can we show it?

When we are suffering, do we remember that Jesus loves us and wants us to come to Him with our pain?



4 Vocabulary

- Blessing A gift of God that brings a person happiness
- **False prophets** People who spread a false message, claiming it was from God. They told people what would make them popular, not the truth.
- Kingdom of God God's Kingdom of faith and love. We should try to build it on earth, but we will have it perfectly in Heaven.
- Prophet A person sent by God to spread His Word

5 Fill in the Blank

1)	The holy man received a from God.
2)	The traveled all around, telling people to follow God.
3)	cared more about other people liking them than spreading
	God's Word.
4)	Jesus told people to desire the



6 Quiz

- 1) Why does Jesus say that the poor are blessed?
 - A) They don't have too much stuff
 - B) They have many friends
 - C) They will have the Kingdom of God
 - D) They can still get married
- 2) Why will we be blessed if people insult us because of Jesus?
 - A) They don't really mean it
 - B) We will have a reward in Heaven
 - C) We will become rich
 - D) They do not know any good insults
- 3) How does Jesus want us to react to the poor and suffering?
 - A) We should ignore them
 - B) With love and care
 - C) With anger that they are not blessed
 - D) We should tell them to steal from the rich



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9 Answers

Fill in the Blank

- 1) Blessing
- 2) Prophet
- 3) False prophets
- 4) Kingdom of God

Quiz:

- 1) C They will have the Kingdom of God
- 2) B We will have a reward in Heaven
- 3) B With love and care

