



SERMON NOTES

WALKING AMONG THE DEAD

We Are The Living - Pastor Carl Toti

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Ephesians 2:1-2 (NLT) ¹ Once you were dead because of your disobedience and your many sins. ² You used to live in sin, just like the rest of the world, obeying the devil—the commander of the powers in the unseen world. He is the spirit at work in the hearts of those who refuse to obey God.

Matthew 5:1-12 (NIV) ¹ Now when he saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, ² and he began to teach them, saying: ³ “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴ Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. ⁵ Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. ⁶ Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. ⁷ Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. ⁸ Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. ⁹ Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God. ¹⁰ Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹ “Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

FIRST SET OF THREE

Thesis

“Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven” (v. 3).

Antithesis

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.” V. 4

Synthesis

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.” V. 5

SECOND SET OF THREE

Thesis

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness” V.6

Antithesis

“Blessed are the merciful” V.7

Synthesis

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.” V. 8

THIRD SET OF THREE

Thesis

“Blessed are the peacemakers.” V. 9”

Antithesis

“Blessed are those who are persecuted.” V. 10”

Synthesis

“Blessed are you when people insult you.” V. 11”