

Sharing the Gift

Heart of God

Readings: Jer 17:5-8 | Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 | 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20 | Lk 6:17, 20-26

focal point

If we want to know what the heart of God is like we have to look no further than the Beatitudes. The Beatitudes are Jesus's love song. Jesus came to call us to a way of love that begins with loving God, loving others, and loving ourselves in a healthy balanced way. The Beatitudes teach us how to become more like God, how to reflect goodness, beauty, and truth that are the heart of God.

scripture

Read aloud from the Gospel of Luke. Then read aloud one more time.

Ask the group what words or phrases jump out at them and why?

discussion questions

1. What is your definition of blessing? What does the scripture suggest is the definition of blessing?
2. How often do you measure yourself based on the world's understanding of success rather than of God's?
3. Why would Jesus say it's a blessing to be poor and a woe to be rich?

application

Sometimes in the craziness of life, we question God's love. How can a God who loves us so, allow such bad things to happen? We want to help you with this questioning of God's love. We are hosting a parish-wide small group study for Lent focused on the book ***Seriously, God? Making Sense of Life Not Making Sense***. To join a small group, visit www.saintmary.life/member.

