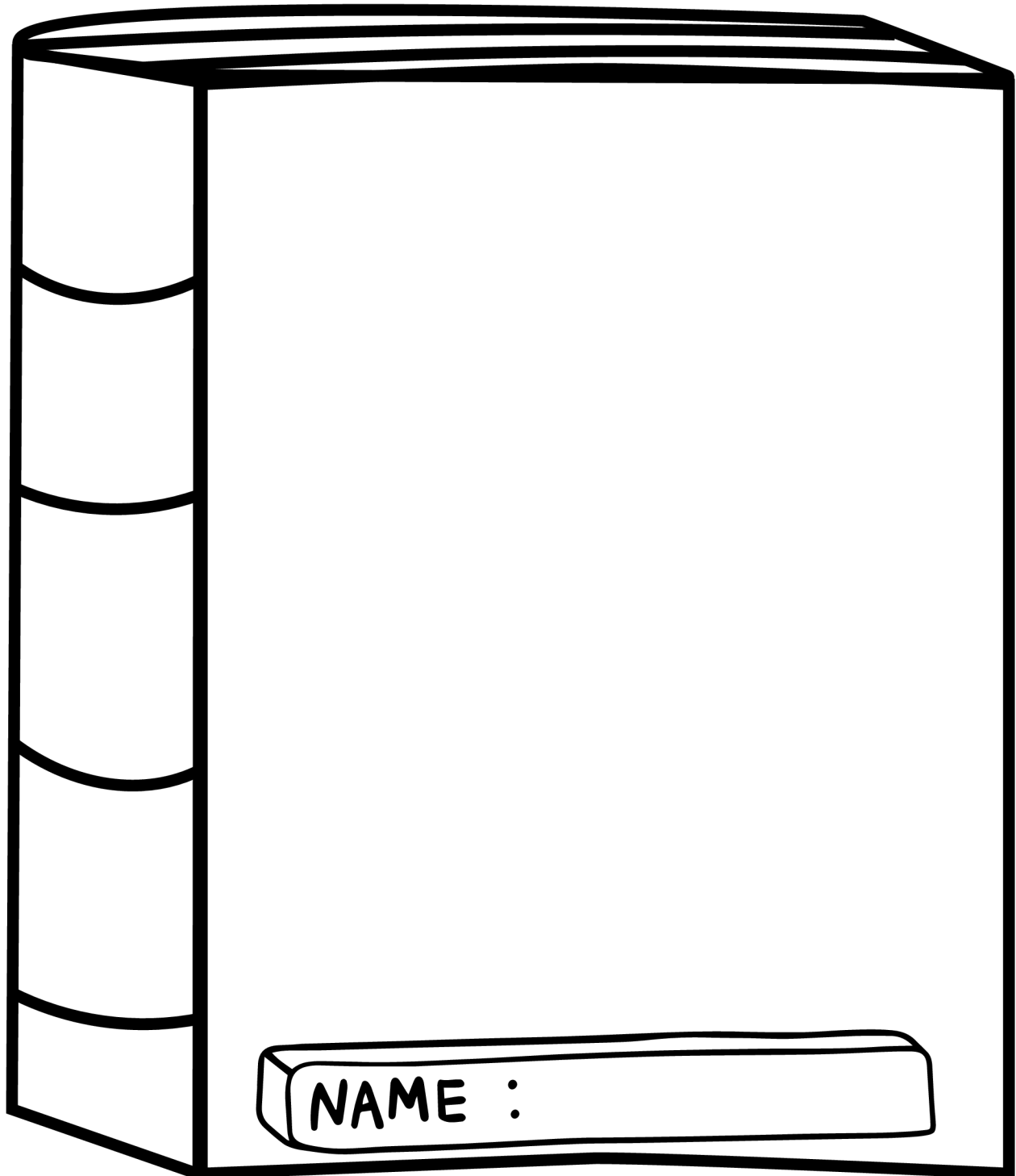


“THE BE-ATTITUDES”

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The Foundation: Living Out God's Design

In a Christian classroom, the relationship between a teacher and a student is built on mutual respect, clear boundaries, and loving discipline. God's Word gives us direct guidance on how to treat one another so that our classroom can be a place of peace, growth, and joy.

"Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity."

— 1 Timothy 4:12

Classroom Expectations

What does a healthy, respectful classroom look like? Fill in the blanks below to discover what you can expect from your teacher, and what your teacher expects from you!

What You Can Expect From Your Teacher

Your teacher has a special calling from God to guide, protect, and help you grow. Here is what you can always expect:

- Fair Treatment: Your teacher will treat every student with love and justice, without picking favorites (James 2:1).
- Patient Guidance: When you struggle with a difficult concept or make a mistake, your teacher will offer patient help, not immediate anger.
- Safety and Order: Your teacher will maintain a structured classroom environment where everyone feels physically and emotionally safe.
- Spiritual Encouragement: Your teacher will pray for you and challenge you to grow closer to Jesus (Hebrews 10:24).

What Your Teacher Expects From You

To build a strong learning team, your teacher expects you to show up ready to participate in God's plan for your education.

- Attentive Listening: Focus your mind when instruction is being given.
- Honest Effort: Work hard on your assignments, even when they are challenging.
- Willing Cooperation: Follow directions quickly and cheerfully without complaining.
- Kind Peers: Treat your classmates with the same respect you want to receive.

Interactive Worksheet

Name: _____

Date: _____

Fill in the Blanks

Use the words in the word bank below to complete the sentences about respect and boundaries.

Word Bank:

Authority | Heart | Listen | Boundaries | Submit | Actions | Secret | Honor

- To show true respect, we must learn to _____ to our teacher before we speak or react.
- God establishes _____ like classroom rules to protect our time, our safety, and our focus.
- 1 Peter 2:17 commands us to "_____ everyone," which includes our teachers, our classmates, and school staff.
- True discipline is not just about avoiding punishment; it is about training our _____ to love what is right.
- In Hebrews 13:17, the Bible tells us to obey our leaders and _____ to their authority, because they keep watch over our souls.
- When a teacher corrects your behavior, they are respecting the _____ God placed over the classroom.

Draw a line from the scripture reference to the practical classroom boundary it teaches.

Scripture Reference

Classroom Application

Proverbs 12:1

"Whoever loves discipline loves knowledge, but he who hates reproof is stupid."

A. Watch Your Words

Stop talking when the teacher is speaking, and use kind words with classmates.

Ephesians 4:29

"Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up..."

B. Love Correction

Keep an open heart when a teacher corrects your behavior or work.

Colossians 3:23

"Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men..."

C. Give Best Effort

Do your homework and class projects with excellence, as an act of worship to God.

Fun Facts About Boundaries & Discipline

The Blueprint Fact:

- The word "discipline" comes from the Latin word *discipulus*, which means "learner" or "disciple." When you experience discipline, you are literally being trained as a disciple!

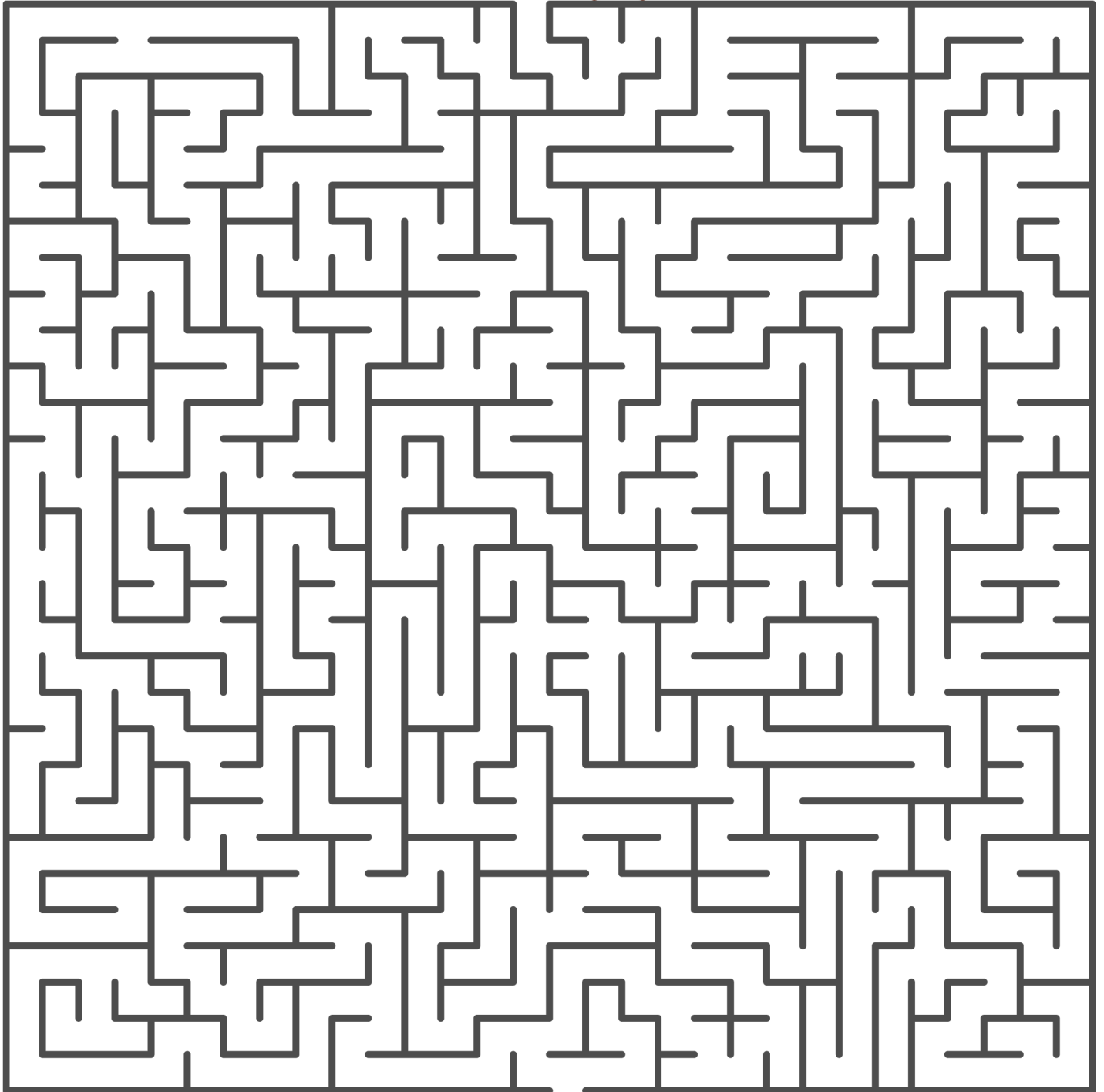
The Guardrail Fact:

- Boundaries are like guardrails on a mountain road. They aren't there to stop you from driving; they are there to keep you from falling off the cliff. Classroom boundaries keep you safe so you can learn freely.

The Echo Fact:

- In ancient biblical times, students would follow their teacher so closely that a common blessing was: "May you be covered in the dust of your rabbi's feet." It meant you should walk right behind them to catch every word!

The Sermon on the Mount



The Sermon on the Mount

Jesus climbed up a mountainside and sat down to teach a huge crowd of people. This famous message is called the Sermon on the Mount. The very first part of His sermon is called the Beatitudes.

The word "Beatitude" comes from a Latin word that means blessed or supremely happy. Jesus is sharing the secret to true, lasting happiness, but His ideas are upside-down compared to what the world teaches!

Lesson 1: Matthew 5:3

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

What It Means

Being poor in spirit doesn't mean having no money. It means realizing that we cannot do everything on our own. We need God's love, forgiveness, and guidance every single day. When we empty ourselves of pride, God fills us up with His kingdom.

Fun Fact!

In ancient times, a king's kingdom was only for the rich, powerful, and brave. Jesus shocked everyone by saying His heavenly kingdom belongs to people who admit they are weak and need help!

Fill in the Blanks

- Blessed are the _____ in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- Being poor in spirit means we realize we need _____ every single day.
- When we let go of our _____, God can fill us with His love.

Matthew 5:4

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."

What It Means

To mourn means to feel deep sadness. Jesus promises that when we are sad, hurting, or sorry for our mistakes, we are not alone. God sees our tears and promises to wrap His comfort around us.

Fun Fact!

Did you know that crying actually helps your body release stress? God designed your body with tears to help you process sadness, and He promises to be the ultimate comforter!

Fill in the Blanks

1. Blessed are those who _____, for they shall be comforted.
2. To mourn means to feel deep _____.
3. God promises to bring us _____ when we are hurting.

Matthew 5:5

"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."

What It Means

Being meek does not mean being weak or cowardly. It means having power under control. Think of a powerful wild stallion that has been trained to be gentle and useful. A meek person is strong but chooses to be gentle, humble, and patient with others.

Fun Fact!

The Greek word used for meekness was often used to describe a powerful war horse that was completely calm, disciplined, and obedient to its rider's whispers!

Fill in the Blanks

1. Blessed are the _____, for they shall inherit the earth.
2. Meekness is not weakness; it is _____ under control.
3. A meek person chooses to be gentle, humble, and _____ with others.
4. _____

♥ BLESSED ARE ♥

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MEEK,
for they will
inherit the earth.

≡ MATTHEW 5:5 ≡
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I can be
gentle and
humble.
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Matthew 5:6

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied."

What It Means

When you are starving or super thirsty, you can't think about anything else except food and water. Jesus says we should crave righteousness—which means doing what is right and honoring God—just like that! If we chase after God's goodness, He promises to completely satisfy our hearts.

Fun Fact!

In the dusty deserts of ancient Israel, finding clean water was a daily struggle. The people listening to Jesus knew exactly what it felt like to be desperately thirsty!

Fill in the Blanks

1. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for _____, for they shall be satisfied.
2. Righteousness means doing what is _____ and honoring God.
3. God promises to completely _____ our hearts when we seek Him.

Matthew 5:7

"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy."

What It Means

Mercy is showing kindness and forgiveness to someone, even when they don't deserve it or when you have the power to punish them. Because God showed us ultimate mercy by sending Jesus, we are called to pass that same forgiveness along to our friends, family, and classmates.

Fun Fact!

The concept of mercy is like a boomerang! Jesus shows that the forgiveness and kindness you throw out into the world is exactly what you will receive back.

Fill in the Blanks

1. Blessed are the _____, for they shall receive mercy.
2. Mercy is showing _____ and forgiveness to others.
3. We show mercy because _____ first showed mercy to us.

♥ BLESSED ARE ♥

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MERCIFUL,

for they will be
shown mercy.

I choose
compassion
and
forgiveness.

≡ MATTHEW 5:7 ≡



MERCY

♥ Be kind and compassionate to one another,
forgiving each other, just as in Christ
God forgave you. Ephesians 4:32 ♥

Matthew 5:8

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."

What It Means

Having a pure heart means having clean motives. It means loving God for who He is, not just pretending to be good on the outside so people praise you. A pure heart is focused, honest, and wants to please God from the inside out.

Fun Fact!

In ancient times, gold refiners would melt gold over a hot fire to burn away all impurities. The gold was considered perfectly pure only when the refiner could see his own reflection clearly in it!

Fill in the Blanks

1. Blessed are the _____ in heart, for they shall see God.
2. A pure heart means having clean _____, not just looking good on the outside.
3. When our hearts are pure, we can see and experience _____ more clearly.

BLESSED ARE the PEACEMAKERS,

for they will be called
children of God.



I can
help bring
peace.



Make every effort to keep the unity
of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

Ephesians 4:3

Matthew 5:9

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God."

What It Means

A peacemaker doesn't just avoid fights; they actively work to bring people together, resolve arguments, and share the peace of God. It can be hard work to heal a broken relationship, but Jesus says peacemakers look exactly like their Heavenly Father.

Fun Fact!

The Hebrew word for peace is Shalom. It doesn't just mean the absence of war; it means wholeness, completeness, health, and total well-being!

Fill in the Blanks

1. Blessed are the _____, for they shall be called sons of God.
2. A peacemaker actively works to resolve _____ and bring people together.
3. The ancient Hebrew word for peace is _____.



THE BEATITUDES

Matthew 5:3-12

Jesus teaches us how to live a blessed life.

#	THE BEATITUDE	SCRIPTURE	IMAGE TO COLOR	DEFINITION
1	Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.	Matthew 5:3		Being poor in spirit means knowing you need God and putting your trust in Him.
2	Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.	Matthew 5:4		God is close to us when we are sad. He brings us comfort and healing.
3	Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.	Matthew 5:5		The meek are gentle and humble. God takes care of them and gives them His promises.
4	Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.	Matthew 5:6		When we truly want to live God's way, He fills our hearts with joy and purpose.
5	Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.	Matthew 5:7		When we show kindness and forgiveness to others, God shows kindness and forgiveness to us.
6	Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.	Matthew 5:8		When our hearts are honest and focused on God, we can know Him better.
7	Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.	Matthew 5:9		When we help others get along and live in peace, we reflect God's love.
8	Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.	Matthew 5:10-12		Standing up for what is right can be hard, but God sees you, rewards you, and fills you with His joy.

CHOOSE TO LIVE BLESSED!

"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16