

BEHIND THE CURTAIN: THE POOR IN SPIRIT

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Biblical **wisdom** is doing the smartest, most strategic thing possible.

Jesus had a **holy, untainted** perspective. This shocked, confused, and offended people—especially the rich and powerful—but He invites everyone “behind the curtain.”

Romans 12:1-2, Matthew 19:16-30, Luke 5:27-32

“Blessed are the **poor** in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

Matthew 5:3, Luke 6:20

The truly poor crave what God offers: **community** and **empowerment**.

Luke 3:11, Isaiah 61:1, Job 31:16, Proverbs 19:17 & 21:13, 1 Peter 2:9-12, John 17:20-24

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

Luke 18:9-14, Mark 12:42-44, Matthew 5:5, James 4

We must become fully aware of our **dependence** on God. God works through the **humble** and **gentle**.

Philippians 4:10-14, 2 Corinthians 12:7-10, Isaiah 40:27-31

Dr. Stephen Covey says effective people are **proactive**, not **reactive**; they act strategically within their **circle of influence**—not fearfully outside of it.

Relationships...

Habits...

Ways I depend on God...

How we spend our days is, of course, how we spend our lives.

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