NYT 006 The attitudes a Christian should have

| 1 | Attitudes important | Attitudes are very important because God looks at what we think and not what we do! |
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| 2 | Three areas | There are three areas to consider: |
| 3 | Towards God | Towards God |
| | Towards others | Towards others |
| | Towards ourselves. | Towards ourselves. |
| 4 | Towards God | To God: we should have an attitude of love and appreciation because of what He has done for us |
| 5 | Towards others | Toward others: We are to love them in the way God loves them as they are children God like we are. We may not like what they do but we are to love them like God does |
| 6 | Towards ourselves. | Toward ourselves: We should love ourselves because He has allowed us to be as we are as He is preparing us to be in heaven with Him after we die on earth |
| 7 | God's command is to Love as He Loves | Jesus commanded us to love others in the way that He and the Father loves them. |
| | | To do this we need to have a certain way of thinking |
| 8 | The Beatitudes | The Beatitudes |
| | | The Sermon on the Mount was the first time The Kingdom of God of God was taught by Jesus and it starts with the attitudes a citizen of The Kingdom should have. This is what the Beatitudes are – a statement of the attitudes a citizen of the Kingdom of God should have. |
| 9 | Guidance of Holy spirit is essential | To be a citizen of The KOG you must be guided by The Holy Spirit in all you do, even if it is only by the lack of peace and the doubts He raises in your mind when you are going to do something wrong. This is apart from the guidance He gives you of how The Bible treats a matter. |
| | | Rom 8:14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. |

| 10 | Blessed are they that mourn | M - 4 Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. |
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| | | The idea behind the word 'mourn' is that of a great grief over their spiritual state; They see themselves as they spiritually are and grieve over this, desiring to be more spiritual in their activities such as in the attitudes that follow. |
| 11 | Blessed are the meek: | M - 5 Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. |
| | | Meaning of meek is: quiet, gentle, and not willing to argue or express your opinions in a forceful way. |
| 12 | What they inherit: | What they inherit: |
| | | It cannot be the current earth as Satan rules it |
| | | it cannot be the Millennial earth as that is not permanent |
| | | It can only be the new Heaven and earth when the KOG is in it |
| 13 | Not forceful | They do not force people to follow Jesus but meekly tell them what God has done for the person. They do not personally criticise people but point to what God says in His Bible that they are judged by Him and not by them. |
| 14 | do hunger and thirst after righteousness | M - 6 Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. |
| | | They desire to live righteously as God desires them to live and they will achieve it is as they desire it with all their heart and God will do all He can to help them do it. |
| 15 | who hunger now | Luk 6:21 Blessed are you who hunger now, for you shall be satisfied. |
| | | It is not a future desire but one that consumes them now. |

| 16 | the merciful | M - 7 Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. |
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| | | "Mercy" & "show mercy" come from the Aramaic root, דתם (Rkhem), which essentially means "love". (David Bauscher) |
| | | In their heart they forgive people who offend them They may not like what these people do but accept them as a child of The Father and leave judgment to God and His principles in The Bible. |
| 17 | pure in heart: | M - 8 Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. |
| | | Blessed are the pure in heart - That is, whose minds, motives, and principles are pure; who seek not only to have the external actions correct, but who desire to be holy in heart, and who are so. Man looks on the outward appearance, but God looks on the heart and their hearts seek to be righteous in all they do. |
| 18 | peacemakers | 9 Blessed are the: for they shall be called the children of God. |
| | | Blessed are the peacemakers — who not only study peace, but diffuse it. They promote The Kingdom and reconcile people to it and to God which is the purpose of evangelism |
| 19 | persecuted for righteousness' sake | M - 10 Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. |
| | | These people endure all that opposes them as they try to live as righteous citizens of The Kingdom of God and will inherit eternal life in it when they die. |

| 20 | Are slandered or defamed | M - 11 Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. |
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| | | Luk 6:22 Blessed are you, whenever men shall hate you and shall separate you and shall insult you and shall cast out your name as evil for The Son of Man's sake. |
| | | The persecution must be for the purposes of The Kingdom of God to inherit the Kingdom and not persecution for something else such as the results of sin (Gal 6:7-8). |
| 21 | great is your reward in heaven | M - 12 Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you. |
| | | They have the example of all who were persecuted for the sake of The Kingdom and will be rewarded greatly in heaven for living as a righteous child of The Father representing The Kingdom of God. |
| 22 | Their responsibility told them | Having spoken of the attitudes of a person of The Kingdom, Jesus now tells them that they have responsibilities as a result. |
| 26 | the citizens of The Kingdom of God give 'flavour' to the world. | Salt gives extra flavour to food just as the citizens of The Kingdom of God give 'flavour' to the world. In otherwords, they were to teach Kingdom principles to people so that they would be reconciled to God and live godly lives. |
| 24 | Ye are the salt of the earth | 13 Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. |
| | | They were to go into the world and proclaim The Kingdom of God and restore people to this Kingdom. The responsibility of every Christian is to promote Jesus and The Kingdom of God and not a denomination, church, or preacher, and by this proclaiming continue the work of Jesus. |

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