



## Luke 6:17-26 / Blessings & Woes

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### Easy warm-up questions

1. If you knew in advance that you were going to be stranded on a deserted island for an indefinite period of time what 3 things, that you presently value, would you not take with you?
2. These days, what is God teaching you about Himself?

### The Location & The Listeners 6:17-19

1. What impresses you about those who came to hear Jesus and to have their needs met by Him?
2. In what ways can you identify with those who came to Jesus?

### The Multitude & The Disciples 6:20a

1. What are the similarities between the great multitude of people and the crowd of disciples?
2. What are the differences between the great multitude of people and the crowd of disciples?
3. These days, which group do you identify most with?

### The Blessings & The Woes 6:20b-26

1. What does Jesus mean by being blessed?
2. Have you ever experienced a difficult situation in which you felt blessed by God even in the midst of that situation? What was that like for you?
3. Answer the following questions according to what Jesus is teaching about each blessing:
  - a. What does Jesus mean by being \_\_\_\_\_ (i.e. What does Jesus mean by being “poor”?)
  - b. How does one become \_\_\_\_\_?
  - c. What blessing is experienced by those who are \_\_\_\_\_?
  - d. These days, what does being \_\_\_\_\_ mean for you?
4. It is possible to give value to what Jesus labels as “woe” and still be “blessed” by God. TRUE FALSE
5. In the attitudes and actions of those around you, in what ways is value being given to what Jesus labels as a “woe”?
6. Closer to home, in your own attitudes and actions, how might you be giving value to what Jesus labels as a “woe”?
7. How is what Jesus teaches about blessing and woe counter to the value system of the world around us? Put slightly different: How might it be easy to confuse being blessed with being “woed”?
8. What are the results/dangers of valuing what is “woe” and not what is “blessed”?

### Going farther...

1. What does this teaching reveal to you about God?
2. How were you challenged by God’s word in this teaching? What will change in your life as a result?