

FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

The Poor in Spirit
In the Kingdom of Heaven,
true wealth is recognising
our need of God



"You're blessed when you're at the end of your rope. With less of you there is more of God and his rule."

The Message

"Happy are those who know they haven't got it all together and can turn to God"



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Blessed are the poor in spirit?

- Look out
- Look in
- Look up

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- At what's really happening for us
- At what we really believe
- With sober judgement



'My belief is that, when you are telling the truth you are close to God. If you say to God "I am exhausted and depressed beyond words, and I don't like You at all right now, and I recoil from most people who believe in You," that might be the most honest thing you've ever said. If you told me you had said to God, "It is all hopeless, and I don't have a clue if You exist, but I could use a hand," it would almost bring tears to my eyes, tears of pride in you, for the courage it takes to get real - really real'

Anne Lamott

Help, Thanks, Wow: The Three Essential Prayers



Look up

- To where our help comes from
- To God's promises
- To a better Kingdom



"Look! I stand at the door and knock. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in, and we will share a meal together as friends.

Revelation 3: 20



"God meets with us in the place of honesty"

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- To admit who we are
- To thank him for welcoming us anyway
- To look up to what he wants to do with us and through us