

BRO. LARRY'S SERMON NOTES

Title: Persecution – The Way to Happiness

Text: Matthew 5:10-12

Introduction: The eighth beatitude seems to be out of place until we see the logical order of the beatitudes:

- Recognition of need: the poor in spirit, they that mourn, and the meek. (Matthew 5:3-5)
- Satisfaction of need: we hunger and thirst after righteousness. (Matthew 5:6)
- Indications of satisfaction: the merciful, the pure in heart, and the peacemakers. (Matthew 5:7-9)
- Outcome: living the Christian life without compromise, and therefore being persecuted.

The first seven beatitudes describes believers directly, and the eighth describes us indirectly. The eighth indicates what is sure to happen to all of us as Christians if the other seven are evident.

The same promise is given for the first and the last beatitude: “for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” From the first to the last, the beatitudes describe the kingdom citizen. As we focus on this subject matter of persecution, let’s consider the following:

I. An _____ of persecution

II. An _____ of persecution



Sunday, August 30, 2020

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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES
9:00 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.

Praise and Worship



Message.....Larry Gipson

Happiness Is?
Persecution—The Way To Happiness
Matthew 5:10-12

Time of Commitment

Just As I Am

Closing.....Larry Gipson

Post Service Music.....Celebration Band

Lift High the Cross



SANCTUARY FLOWERS

are in loving memory of Faye Bazzano
placed by Michael Bazzano, Michael & Cherie Towns and Family.

THANK YOU NOTES

have been received and placed on the bulletin board from Betty Davis,
Sharon Ray, BJ Adamson, and Alina Busenlehner (Oneonta Schools)

SAMFORD MTI CLASS

Baptist Doctrines

August 24-October 12, Monday nights, 6:00 p.m. The class will meet in person or via WebEx. See the church website to register or call the church office for more information. THERE IS STILL TIME TO REGISTER!

Our Response to God's Faithfulness
Our Tithes & Offerings

Monthly Budget Needs.....\$61,367.26
Budget Receipts To Date in August\$44,652.25

DAILY BIBLE READING

Scripture for the week of **August 30- September 5**
Ezekiel 16 -34



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD OFFERING

We are accepting donations for our Operation Christmas Child project. The funds will be used to purchase items for the boxes and to pay shipping.

SEPTEMBER MAGAZINES AND DEVOTIONS

are on the table outside the office.

YOUTH PIZZA LUNCH

All the Youth, Parents, Youth Leaders, and Youth Advisory Committee are invited to lunch Sunday, September 13, after the 10:30 service. At the meeting, we will discuss a calendar of events and make plans for the future.