

Prologue of the New Covenant Law:

Christ's Nine Beatitudes

1. Blessed are **the poor in spirit**,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
2. Blessed are **those who mourn**,
for they shall be comforted.
3. Blessed are **the meek**,
for they shall inherit the earth.
4. Blessed are **those who hunger and thirst for righteousness**,
for they shall be satisfied.
5. Blessed are **the merciful (compassionate)**,
for they shall receive mercy.
6. Blessed are **the pure in heart**,
for they shall see God.
7. Blessed are **the peacemakers**,
for they shall be called sons of God.
8. Blessed are **those who are persecuted for righteousness sake**,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
9. Blessed are **you when people insult you and persecute you,
and say falsely all kinds of evil against you for My sake.**
Rejoice and be glad,
for great is your reward in heaven;
for so persecuted they the prophets who were before you.

(Mt 5:3-12)

General Stipulations of the New Covenant Law:

Christ's Ten Commandments

1. **Unity:** “reconcile with your brother”
-Maintain unity, fellowship among brothers (Mt 5:21-26)
2. **Wisdom:** “if your right eye causes you to sin, pluck it out”
-Wisdom to remove the source of temptation (Mt 5:27-30)
3. **Loyalty:** “[do not] put away your wife”
-Be loyal to your covenant commitments (Mt 5:31-32)
4. **Truth:** “let your communication be ‘Yea, yea’”
-Be honest in your communication with all men (Mt 5:33-37)
5. **Grace:** “resist not evil. . . . give to him that asks”
-Repay evil with good (Mt 5:38-42)
6. **Love:** “love your enemies . . . pray for them”
-Compassion for all men, even your enemies (Mt 5:43-48)
7. **Almsgiving:** “do in secret and your Father . . . shall reward you”
-When doing God’s work seek His approval, not man’s (Mt 6:1-4).
8. **Prayer:** “pray to your Father in secret. . . . in this manner”
-Focus your prayers on God’s will and work for His Kingdom and glory (Mt 6:5-15).
9. **Fasting:** “when you fast . . . appear to men not to fast”
-Fast before God who can grant your request, not before men who cannot (Mt 6:16-18).
10. **Heavenly Treasure:** “lay up for yourselves treasure in heaven”
-Trust your heavenly Father to provide your earthly needs as you do His work (Mt 6:19-34).