

**"REPENTANCE"  
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**MY NOTES . . . . .**

**Matthew 5:3**

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

**Isaiah 66:2**

This is the one I esteem: he who is humble and contrite in spirit, and trembles at my word.

**D.A. Carson**

*Exposition of Matthew's Sermon on the Mount*

"Poverty of spirit is the personal acknowledgment of spiritual bankruptcy. It is the conscious confession of un-worth before God. As such, it is the deepest form of repentance . . . a confession that he is sinful and rebellious and utterly without moral virtues adequate to commend him to God. From within such a framework, poverty of spirit becomes a general confession of a man's need for God, a humble admission of impotence without him . . . a full, honest, factual, conscious, and conscientious recognition before God of personal moral un-worth. It is the deepest form of repentance . . . We must come to him and acknowledge our spiritual bankruptcy, emptying ourselves of our self-righteousness, moral self-esteem, and personal vainglory."

**Colossians 1:12**

We give thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light. For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves.

**Haddon W. Robinson**

"To be blessed means to sense the joy, or happiness, that comes from knowing that we stand approved before God."