

SERMON NOTES

“Falling, failing and faith in the footsteps of Jesus” | Pastor Matthew Ruttan January 31, 2021 – Westminster Church, Barrie – Live Stream

This sermon is a part of a four-month journey through many stories in the Gospel of Luke. Today's text is Luke 6:17-36 (NIV)

In verse 20 Jesus says: “Blessed are you who are _____, for yours is the kingdom of God.”

Verse 22 says: “_____ are you when people _____ you, when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man.”

Looking at verse 24, why can having money be a barrier to faith?

What does it mean to “love” someone in the biblical sense?

Verse 36 says: “Be _____, just as your Father is merciful.”

God's blessing is upon those who are God-reliant; horror will come upon those who are _____.

We are called to a _____ ethical standard in the footsteps of Jesus: “Do to others as you would have them do to you” (Luke 6:31).

Pastor Ruttan shared four ideas about how we can treat others as we would want to be treated: (1) Respecting someone's opinion. (2) Not assuming the worst about their motives. (3) Being honest, but with sensitivity to their situation. (4) Offering help when they're down. Which one do you most need to work on in your relationships with others?

Jesus does for you what you can't do for _____.

Pastor Ruttan read the famous poem, Footprints In The Sand. He suggested that the Lord carries us not only when we fall but when we _____.