

## **Depends on Who You Depend on**

*Beatitudes – Part 1*

*“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”*

Matthew 5:3 (NIV)

*“The LORD God of Jacob blesses everyone who trusts him and depends on him.”*

Psalm 146:5 (CEV)

Being poor in spirit means to humbly depend on God instead of myself.

### **How to Develop an Attitude of Dependence**

#### **1) I depend on God’s wisdom, not mine.**

*“There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death.”* Proverbs 14:12 (NIV)

How: Pray and Read (*James 1:5; Psalm 119:105*)

#### **2) I depend on God’s strength, not mine.**

*“You (God) bless all who depend on you for their strength...”* Psalm 84:5a (CEV)

*“He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.”* Isaiah 40:29 (NIV)

#### **3) I depend on God’s timing, not mine.**

*“But I trust the LORD God to save me, and I will wait for him to answer my prayer.”* Micah 7:7 (CEV)

*“...I am the Lord, and when it is time, I will make these things happen quickly.”* Isaiah 60:22b (NCV)

*“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.”* Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV)