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The Beatitudes

Question:

The *Sermon on the Mount* begins with what are commonly referred to as the "beatitudes." What is a "beatitude"?

Our Answer:

The word *beatitude* does not come from the Bible, or even the Greek for that matter. *Beatitude* comes from the Latin term *beatus*, which means, "blessed." Therefore, a beatitude is a saying associated with a blessing.