

The Heart of the Matter (Sermon on the Mount – Lesson 6)
Persecution (Mt. 5:10-12)

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1. Define persecution. _____

2. What is the basis of persecution that brings blessing (Mt. 5:10)? _____

3. List five bible characters, Old or New Testaments, that suffered persecution and beside each name specify in one word why they were persecuted. (You may use the same word for more than one character, but have an understanding of why they suffered.) _____

4. The blessing for being persecuted for righteousness sake is described in two ways in Matt. 5:10-12. What are they? _____

5. What is the significance of the word “when” in Mt. 5:11? _____

6. According to 2Tim. 3:12, what activity will result in persecution? _____

7. What phrase is used in 1Peter 4:12 to describe the intensity of persecution and what is this doing for you? _____

8. What three ways, in Matt. 5:11, does Jesus describe the suffering we may expect? _____

9. How are we to react to persecution (Mt. 5:12)? _____

10. What group of people suffered persecution in days gone by and what example have they left for us (Mt. 5:12; James 5:10)? _____

11. From Rom. 8:35-39, list each power or circumstance that cannot separate us from the love of God. (Use back of page for more space). _____

