

INSPIRING WORSHIP ALL WEEK

K E Y	<p>Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Luke 6:22, 23a</p>
R E A D I N G S	<p>Preparing for Sunday, February 16th</p> <p>Day 1—Jeremiah 17:5-10</p> <p>Day 2— Psalm 1</p> <p>Day 3—1 Corinthians 15:12-20</p> <p>Day 4—Luke 6:17-26</p> <p>Day 5—Genesis 12:3</p> <p>Day 6—John 20:29</p> <p style="text-align: right;">*Sunday readings in bold.</p>
A P P L Y	<p>The Beatitudes have always been perplexing for me. I don't recall ever being hated or reviled for my faith. And I am not poor by world standards, nor have I been truly hungry. By world standards, the woes apply more than the blessings. Is this meant to be a guilt trip? Woe to you who are rich, full now, laugh now and when people speak well of you? I think not. Jesus meant this to be a warning and a guideline for us, not a literal interpretation. Or maybe I am looking for an excuse for my behavior. What say you?</p>
P R A Y E R	<p>Heavenly Father, help us be ever mindful of the blessings you bestow for our faithfulness and to always give of ourselves with love... In Jesus name we pray amen.</p>

Devotions written by Trinity members.