

**BIBLICAL READINGS**  
supplement to Shelmerdine 2<sup>nd</sup> edition  
**Chapter 7**

A. From the Beatitudes in the Sermon on the Mount:

Μακάριοι οἱ πτωχοὶ τῷ πνεύματι, ὅτι αὐτῶν ἐστὶν ἡ βασιλεία τῶν οὐρανῶν.

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μακάριοι οἱ πραεῖς, ὅτι αὐτοὶ κληρονομήσουσιν τὴν γῆν. (Matt. 5.3, 5.5)

μακάριος -ῆ -ον "blessed" πτωχός -οῦ ὁ "poor" πνεύματι "spirit" (dat)

ὅτι "because" αὐτῶν "theirs" ἡ βασιλεία -ας ἡ "kingdom"

πραεῖς "meek" αὐτοὶ "they" κληρονομέω "inherit"

B. From later in the Sermon on the Mount:

Ἦμεῖς ἐστε τὸ ἅλας τῆς γῆς. (Matt. 5.13)

ὑμεῖς (nom. pl.) "you" ἅλας -ατος, τὸ "salt" γῆ γῆς -ου ἡ "earth"

οὐ δύναται δένδρον ἀγαθὸν καρποὺς πονηροὺς ποιεῖν οὐδὲ δένδρον σαπρὸν καρποὺς καλοὺς ποιεῖν. (Matt. 7.18)

δύναται "is able" ποιεῖν "to make" πονηρός -ῆ -όν "evil" σαπρός -ῆ -όν "bad"

C. From the Sermon on the Plain:

ὁ ἀγαθὸς ἄνθρωπος ἐκ τοῦ ἀγαθοῦ θησαυροῦ τῆς καρδίας προφέρει τὸ ἀγαθόν, καὶ ὁ πονηρὸς ἐκ τοῦ πονηροῦ προφέρει τὸ πονηρόν. (Luke 6.45)

θησαυρός -οῦ ὁ "treasury" καρδία -ας ἡ "heart" προ-φέρω "bring forward"

D. James concludes his discussion of the relationship between faith and works:

ἡ πίστις χωρὶς ἔργων νεκρά ἐστίν. (James 2.26)

πίστις "faith" χωρὶς + gen. "without" νεκρός -ά -όν "dead"

E. James shouts at those who fight and spend on their own pleasure:

ἡ φιλία τοῦ κόσμου ἐχθρὰ τοῦ θεοῦ ἐστίν (James 4.4)

κόσμος -ου ὁ "the world"

F. John strikes a paternal tone:

Ἀγαπητοί, νῦν τέκνα θεοῦ ἐσμεν (I John 3.2)

ἀγαπητός -ῆ -όν "beloved" νῦν "now"

G. John evokes Isaiah (cf. A above):

καὶ εἶδον οὐρανὸν καινὸν καὶ γῆν καινὴν. (Rev. 21.1)

εἶδον "I saw" (aor.)