



## TODAY'S TEACHING

### **THE KINGDOM MANIFESTO Jesus' Sermon On The Mount Talk 8**

**Matthew 5:10-12** *“Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”*

*Why were Christians persecuted in the early church?*

*Why might Christians today be persecuted?*

*What is our defense?*

*How does persecution make us happy?*

## TEAM TALK

- ✓ *What was surprising to you about how our forefathers in the faith suffered for simply being Christians?*
  
- ✓ *Do you think Christians will be persecuted in this country simply for being Christians? Are they already? In what ways are we being persecuted? Who will be the persecutors of Christians?*
  
- ✓ *What should we men following Christ do to prepare for persecution of some kind that might come our way? How can the brotherhood of FORGE build stronger men? (Give your ideas to the FORGE leadership team!)*



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