



**ALLELUIA:**

**LK 6:23AB**

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Rejoice and be glad;  
your reward will be great in heaven.

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**Gospel:**

**Lk 6:17, 20-23**

Jesus and his apostles went down from the mountain and came to some flat, level ground. Many other disciples were there to meet him. Large crowds of people from all over Judea, Jerusalem and from the coastal cities of Tyre and Sidon were there too.

Jesus looked at his disciples and said:

"God will bless you people who are poor.

His Kingdom belongs to you!

"God will bless you hungry people.

You will have plenty to eat!

""God will bless you people who are crying.

You will laugh!

""God will bless you when others hate you and won't have anything to do with you. God will bless you when people insult you and say cruel things about you, all because you are a follower of the Son of Man!

Long ago your own people did these same things to the prophets.

"So when this happens to you, be happy and jump for joy! You will have a great reward in heaven."