



**SERIES: The Keys to a Blessed Life**

**Topic: His Strength Made Perfect In My Weakness – Pastor Alton Trimble**  
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**Matthew 5:3 (NKJV)**

*“BLESSED are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”*

**Matthew 5:3 (NLT)**

*“God blesses those who realize their need for him.”*

**Matthew 5:3 (GW)**

*“... who recognize they are spiritually helpless”*

**Matthew 5:3 (CEV)**

*“... who depend only on HIM”*

**Matthew 5:3 (NCV)**

*“... who know they have great spiritual needs.”*

**Psalms 146:5 (CEV)**

*“The Lord God blesses everyone who trusts him and depends on him.”*

**To be blessed by God:**

**1. I depend on God’s wisdom, not mine.**

**Proverbs 14:12 (NLT)**

*“There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death.”*

**Proverbs 3:5-7 (NLT)**

*“Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in ALL you do, and he will direct your paths. Don't be impressed with your own wisdom. Instead, respect the Lord and turn your back on evil.”*

**James 1:5 (NLT)**

*“If any of you lack wisdom, you should pray and ask God, who gives it generously and graciously to all.”*

**2. I depend on God's Strength, not mine.**

**Psalm 84:5 (CEV)**

*"You bless all who depend on you for their strength."*

**Isaiah 40:31 (GNT)**

*"Those who trust in the Lord for help will find their strength renewed. They will rise on wings like eagles; they will run and not get weary; they will walk and not grow weak."*

**Psalm 71:16 (LB)**

*"I walk in the strength of the Lord."*

**Psalm 73:26 (NLT)**

*"My health may fail, and my spirit may grow weak, but God remains the strength of my heart. He is mine forever!"*

**I Corinthians 12:8-10 (NLT)**

*"Three times I begged God to take away my weakness. Each time he said, 'My grace is all you need! My power works best in your weakness.'" So now I gladly boast about how weak I am, because when I am weakest the power of Christ works in me and shows up through me. When I'm weak, then I am strong."*

**John 3:30 (NLT)**

*"He must become greater and greater, and I must become less and less."*

**Isaiah 40:30 (NLT)**

*"Even youths will become weak and tired and young men will fall in exhaustion."*

**3. I depend on God's timing, not mine.**

**Psalm 31:14-15 (NLT)**

*"I trust in you, O Lord. You are my God. My times are in your hands."*

**Ecclesiastes 3:11 (NLT)**

*"God has set the right time for everything."*

**Isaiah 60:22b (NCV)**

*"I am the Lord, and when it is time, I will make these things happen quickly."*

**Micah 7:7 (CEV)**

*“I trust the Lord God to save me, and I will wait for him to answer my prayer.”*

**4. I depend on God’s defense, not mine.**

**I Peter 2:23 (NLT)**

*“When they hurled insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats back. Instead, he entrusted himself to God to set things right.”*

**Psalms 2:12 (NLT)**

*“God blesses and protects everyone who runs to him.”*

**Psalms 62:5-7 (TEV)**

*“I depend on God alone; I put my hope in him. He alone protects and saves me; he is my defender, and I shall not be defeated. My salvation and honor depend on God; he is my strong protector; and he is my shelter!”*

**5. I depend on God’s wealth, not mine.**

**Philippians 4:19 (NLT)**

*“And my God will supply all my needs from his abundant wealth because of what Christ Jesus has done for us”*

**Romans 6:3-5 (NLT)**

*“This is what happens in baptism. When we went under the water, we left the old sin behind and when we came up out of the water, we entered into a new life of grace. When we are lowered into the water, it is like the burial of Jesus; and when we are raised up out of the water, it is like the resurrection of Jesus. We are raised to live a new life”*

**Matthew 5:6 (NLT)**

*“Happy are those whose greatest desire is to do what God requires; God will satisfy them fully!”*