A Happy Attitude
Matthew 5:3-12

Jesus had a large crowd of people following Him. He knew the people wanted to hear Him teach. Jesus went up to a mountain and taught the people about having a good attitude — a happy attitude. Read Matthew 5:3-12 to find attitudes that are pleasing to God. Jesus wants us to be happy in spite of the not-so-good things that happen in our lives. You might not always feel like smiling, but you can still have a joyful heart because you know Jesus will help you when you have problems. Look at the first phrase. Find the matching second part in the set below it. Color each pair of smiling faces with a different color.

1. Blessed are the poor in spirit [humble].
   A. For they shall be filled.

2. Blessed are they that mourn.
   B. For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

3. Blessed are the meek.
   C. For they shall be comforted.

4. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness.
   D. For they shall be called the children of God.

5. Blessed are the merciful.
   E. For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

6. Blessed are the pure in heart.
   F. For they shall see God.

7. Blessed are the peacemakers.
   G. For they shall inherit the earth.

8. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness’ sake.
   H. For they shall obtain mercy.

For the Teacher: Duplicate the page for each child. Allow the children to pair off with a friend. One teammate can read from the Bible and the other can match and color the smiles. Award a smiling face sticker or other small item to the team who finishes first. The answers are on page 95.