

Sola Publishing Children's Message 4 th Sunday after Epiphany – Year A		SOLA 
Beatitudes = Blessings!		
Readings	1) Micah 6:1-8 2) 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 3) Matthew 5:1-12	
Scripture Focus	Matthew 5:1-12	
Take Away		
Aids (pics, props, etc.)		
Message Good morning! One day, after Jesus started healing people and teaching them, a whole lot of them started following Him around. When He saw the huge crowds, He decided to talk to them. He went up a little way on a mountain, sat down, and started talking about blessings. That sermon or talk has a special name called THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT, and in it He gave the BEATITUDES. (If the kids are young, you can have them say the word.) Beatitudes are blessings. Those who follow Jesus and believe what He says will be blessed. What is a blessing? It's a gift. God blesses us with all kinds of things. He gives us houses, jobs, families, friends, pets, school, church, and even a lot of things we don't think about, like: • Faith to believe what God wrote in the Bible. • When we are sad and upset, He sends the Holy Spirit to comfort us, even if we can't see Him. • When we want to know more about Him, He's given us the Bible and Sunday School, parents, and the pastor to answer all our questions. • He gives us rules that, if we follow them, our lives will be easier. • The best blessing of all is that Jesus died for our sins, and when we're sorry for them, He forgives us! • One day, we'll get our last blessing, and that will be when we get to be in heaven with God and all the other people who love Him. I think it would be a good idea to thank God for all our blessings, don't you? "Thank you, God, for blessings! Count to 3... THANK YOU, GOD, FOR BLESSINGS! Let's pray.		
Repeat Prayer	The prayer today is to the tune of Row, Row, Row the Boat. (Sing it once by yourself, once with the kids, and once with the whole congregation.) Thank, thank, thank you God Thank you, now we pray You have given all we need And bless us every day. Amen.	