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Living right-side-up in a upside-down world

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Matthew 5:1-12 (Pg. 968)

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He said:

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

**Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.**





**Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the earth.**

**Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for
righteousness,
for they will be filled.**

**Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.**

**Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they will see God.**



**Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.
Blessed are those who are persecuted because
of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**



First Beatitude ...

**“Blessed are the poor in spirit,
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Last Beatitude ...

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Sermon on the Mount

Salt and Light The Fulfillment of the Law

Murder

Adultery

Divorce

Eye for Eye

Love for Enemies

Giving to the Needy

Prayer

Fasting

Treasures in Heaven

Do Not Worry

Judging Others

Ask, Seek, Knock

The Narrow and Wide Gates

True and False Prophets

True and False Disciples

The Wise and Foolish Builders



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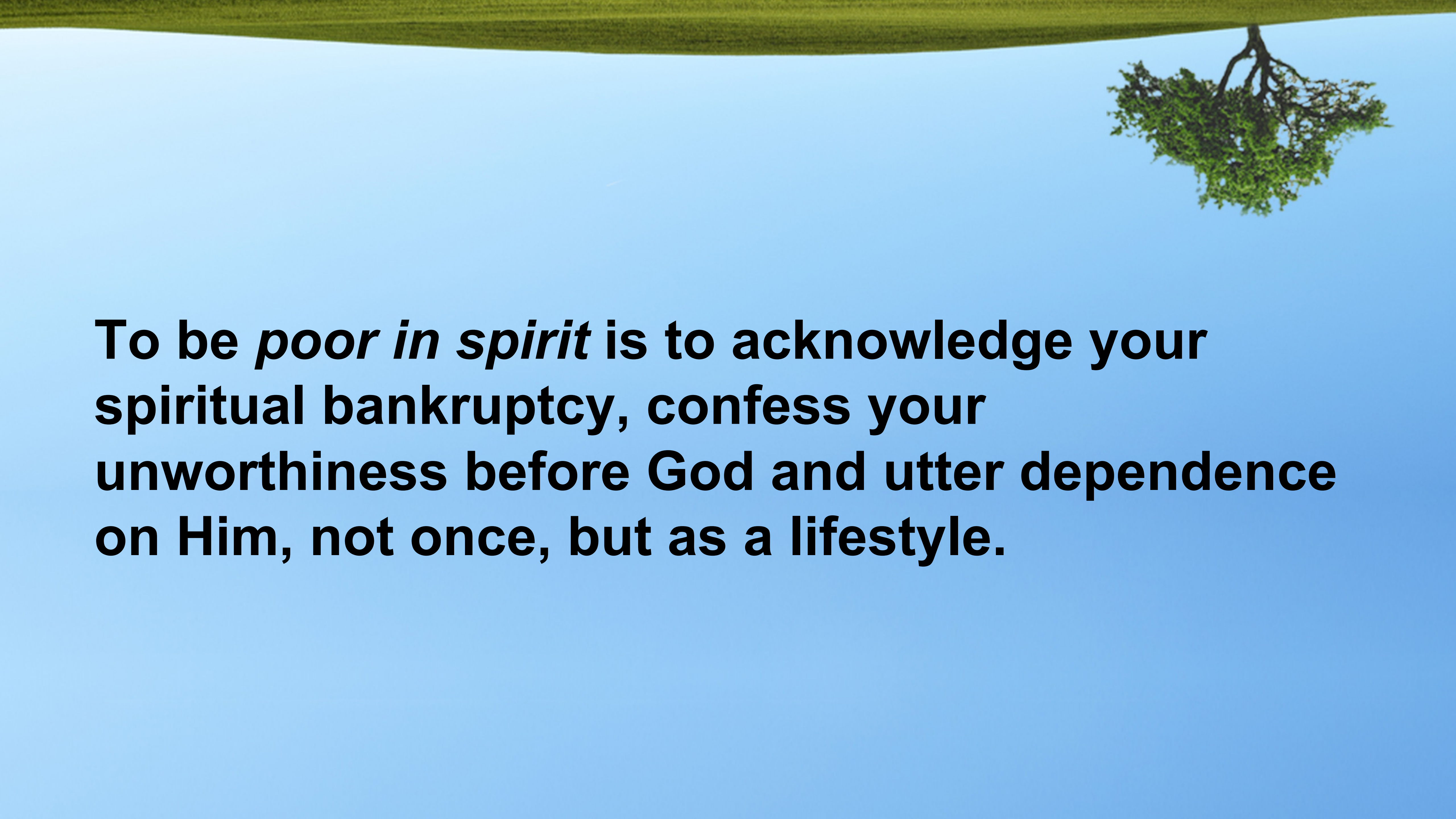
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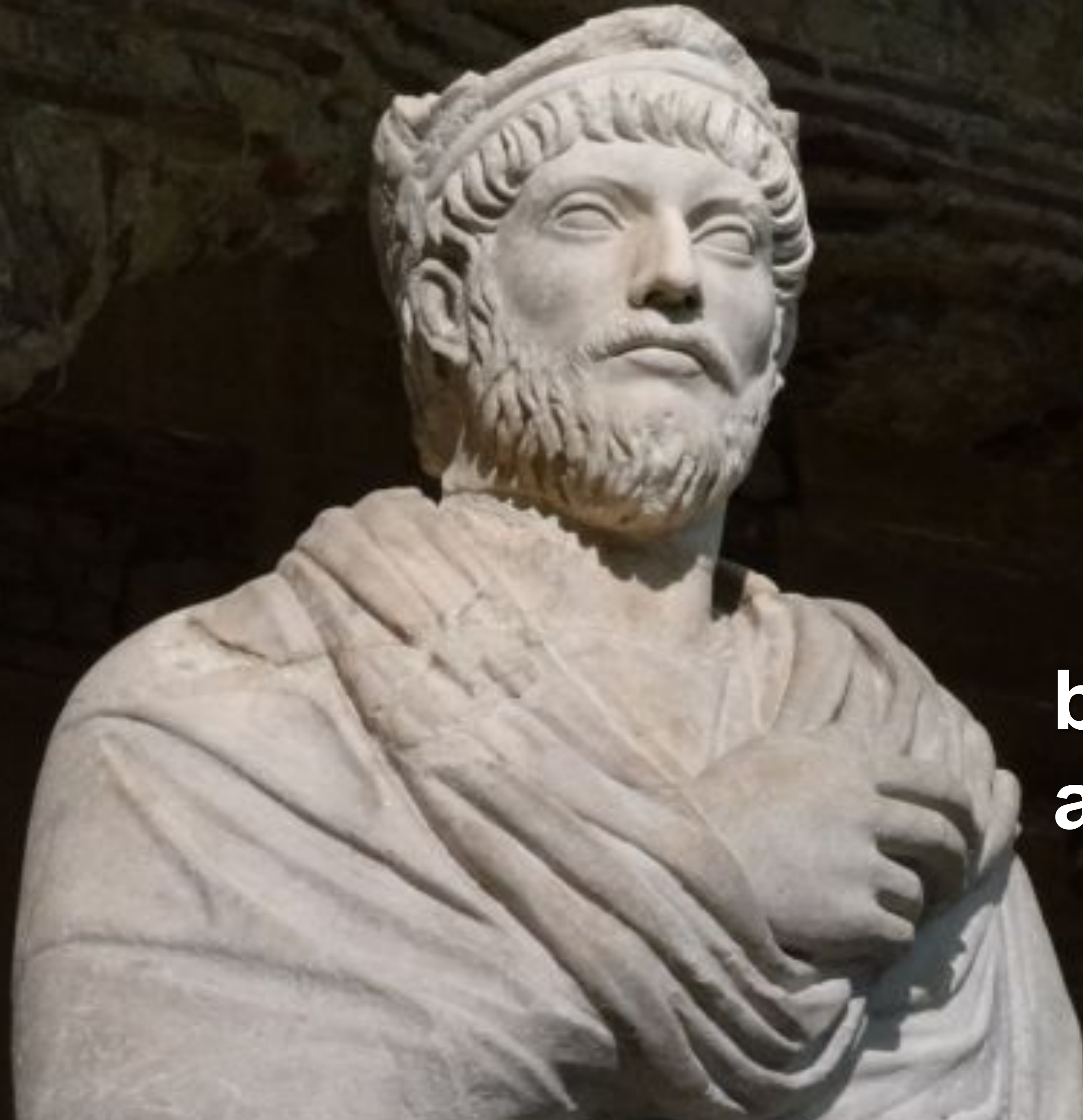


To be *poor in spirit* is to acknowledge your spiritual bankruptcy, confess your unworthiness before God and utter dependence on Him, not once, but as a lifestyle.

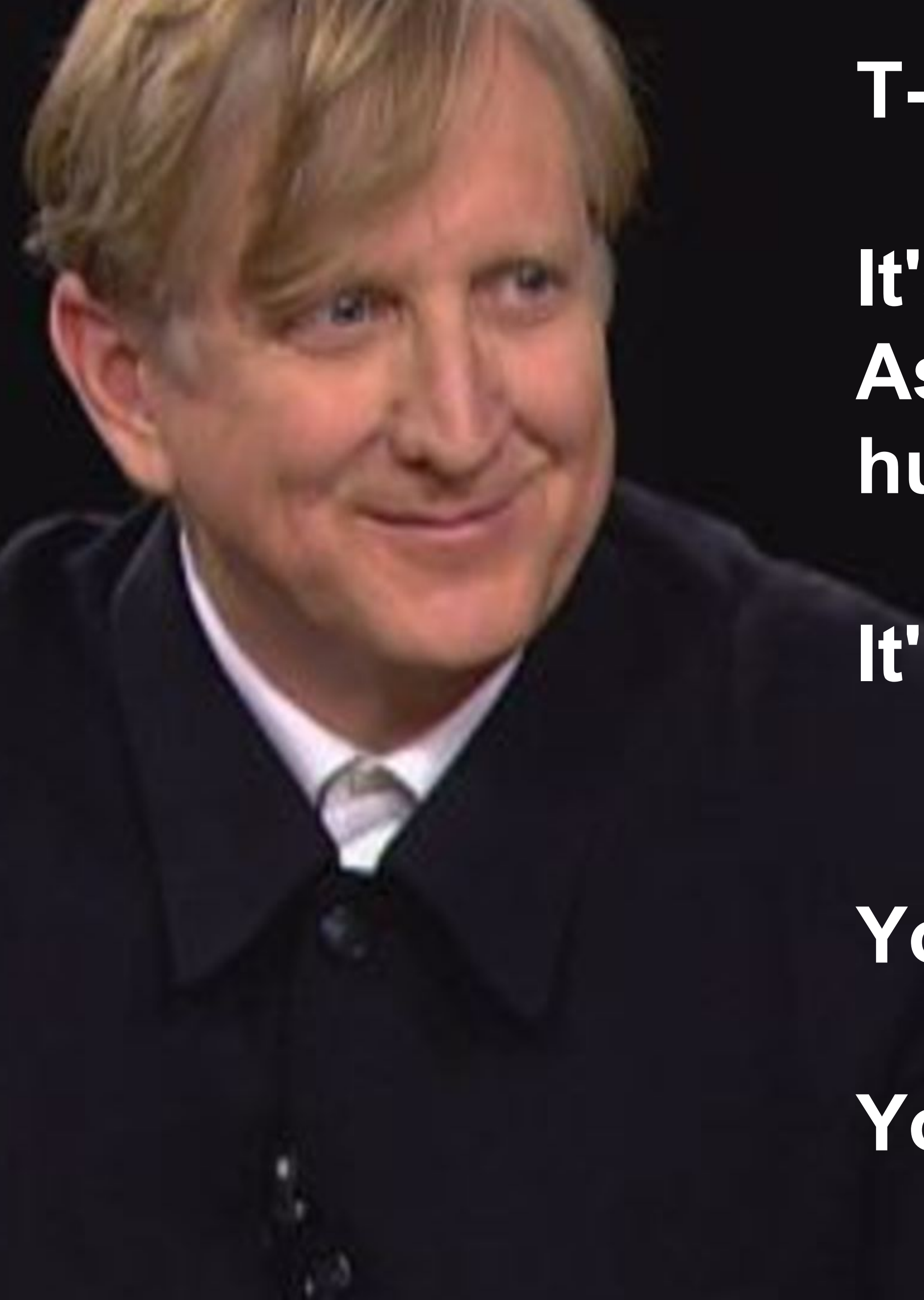
Julian the Apostate (332–63)



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**“I desire to
confiscate
Christians’
property so
that they
might all
become poor
and enter the
kingdom of
heaven.”**



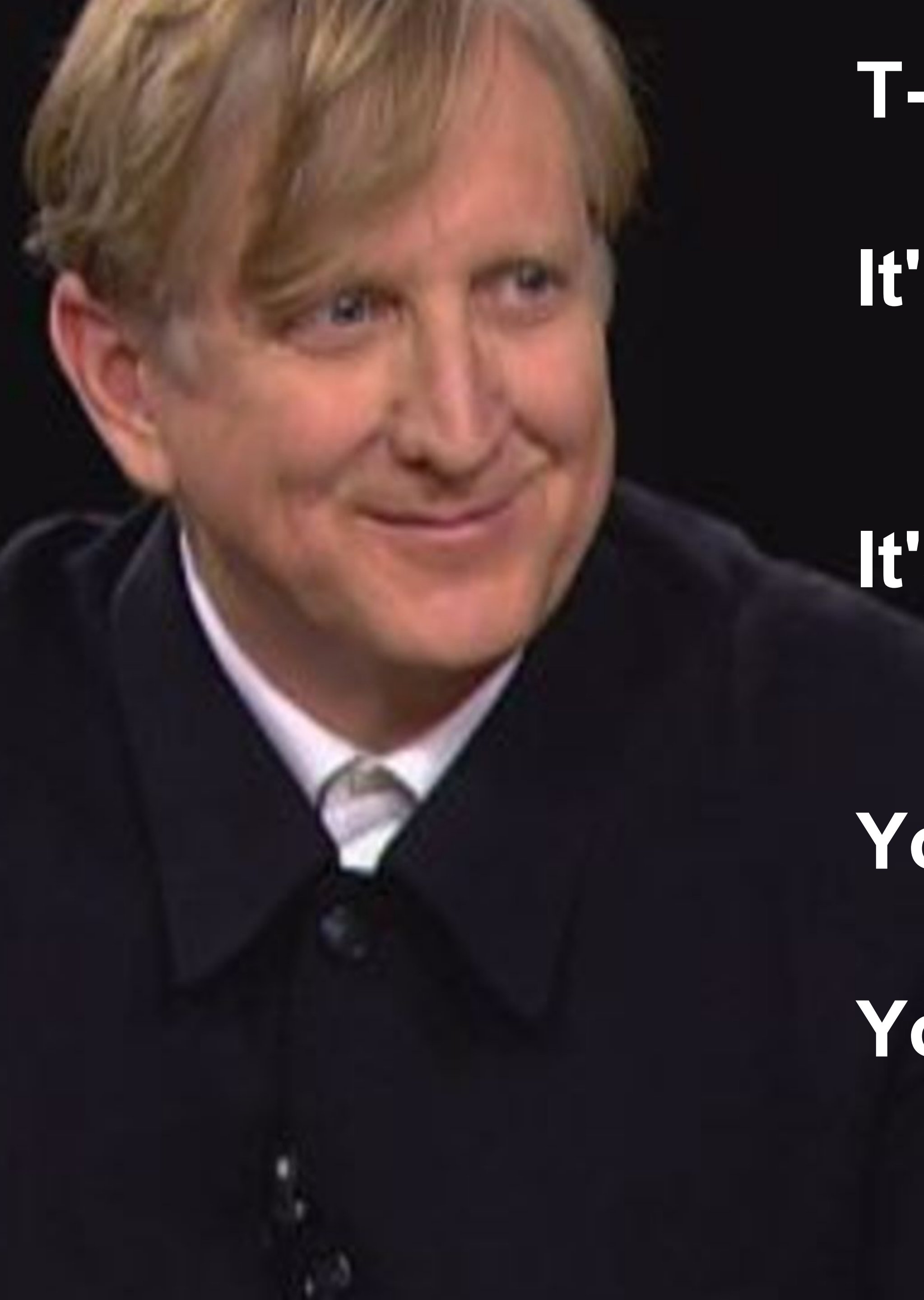
T-Bone Burnett – The Trap Door

**It's a funny thing about humility
As soon as you know you're being
humble**

**You're no longer humble
It's a funny thing about life
You've got to give up your life to
be alive**

**You've got to suffer - to know
compassion**

**You can't want nothing - if you want
satisfaction**



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It's a funny thing about love

The harder you try to be loved

The less lovable you are

It's a funny thing about pride

When you're being proud

You should be ashamed

**You find only pain if you seek after
pleasure**

**You work like a slave if you seek out
the leisure**



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To be happy,

To have the kingdom of heaven,

Admit you don't have either.

To be blessed (Happy) ...



To be blessed (Happy) ...



Point 1

**Confess your bankruptcy (unworthiness)
before God.**

To be blessed (Happy) ...



Point 2

Acknowledge your total dependence upon God.

To be blessed (Happy) ...



Point 3

Repeat points 1 & 2 for the rest of your life

- **“God, I’m not worthy”**
- **“God, I need you”**

To be blessed (Happy) ...



Point 3

Repeat points 1 & 2 for the rest of your life

➤ **“God, I’m not worthy”**

➤ **“God, I need you”**

And the kingdom of heaven will be yours.



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