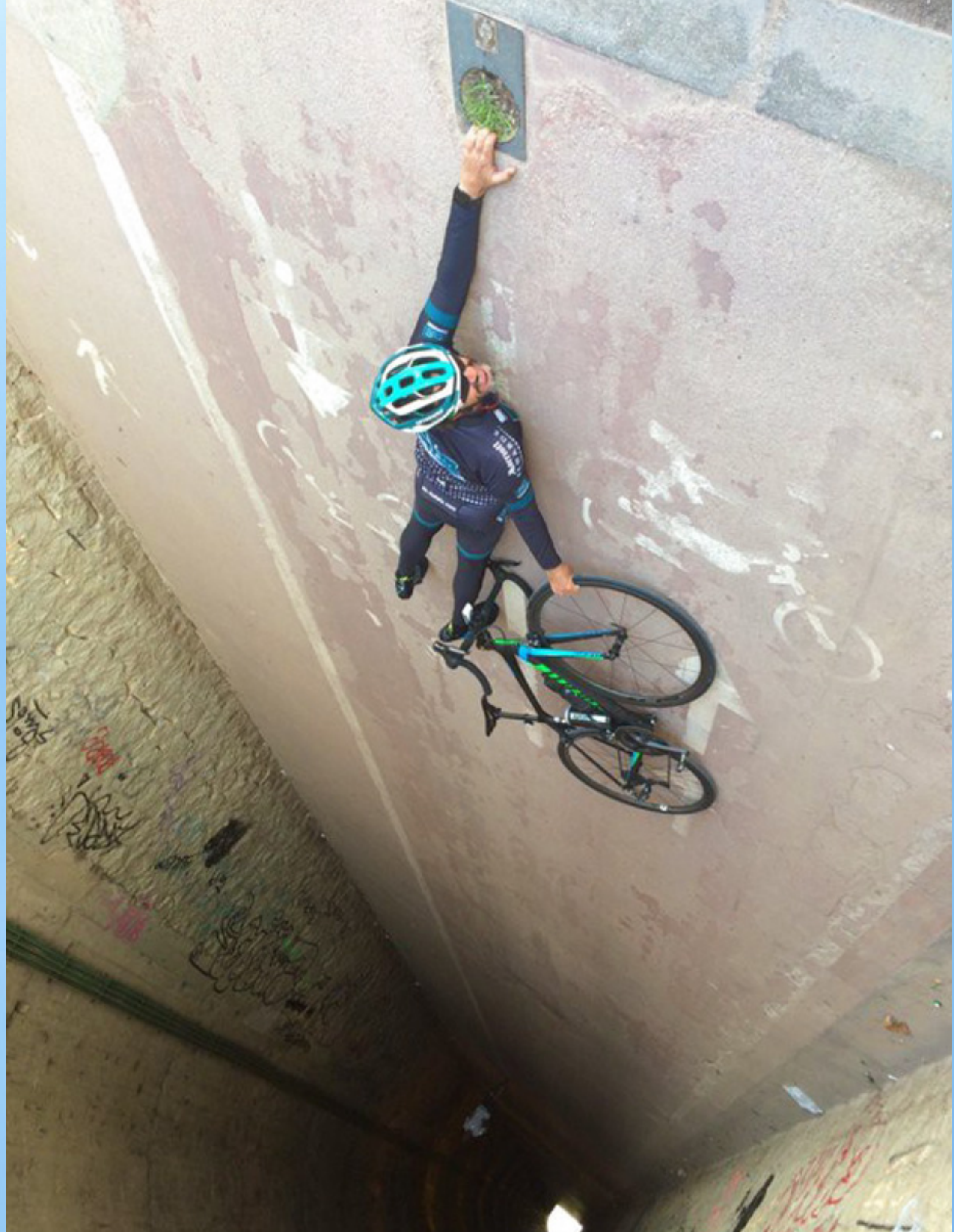




THE BEATITUDES

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
















Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them. 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.

Matthew 5:1-10



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.

Matthew 5:1-10



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

Matthew 5:3




**When we realize
our need, the gospel
empowers us to experience
things right side up**



**Blessed are the
poor in spirit...**

Matthew 5:3




“...a man came up to Jesus and asked,
“Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal life?”

...²⁰ “All [your commandments] I have kept,” the young man said. “What do I still lack?”

²¹ Jesus answered, “If you want to be perfect, go, **sell your possessions** and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then **come, follow me.**”

Matthew 19



**“A man loaned money to two people—
500 pieces of silver to one and 50 pieces
to the other. ⁴² But neither of them could
repay him, so he kindly forgave them both,
canceling their debts. Who do you suppose loved
him more after that?” ⁴³ Simon answered, “I
suppose the one for whom he canceled the larger
debt.” “That’s right,” Jesus said.**

Luke 7:41-43



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**Blessed are the
poor in spirit...**

Matthew 5:3



**...for theirs is the
kingdom of
heaven.**

Matthew 5:3

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**“Lord, increase
our faith”**

Luke 17:5



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