

Blessed are the Merciful

Matthew 5:7

1. The _____ of Mercy: _____
 - a. God's _____ (Ps 103:8)
 - b. God's _____ (1 Tim 1:12-17)
2. The _____ of Mercy (Matthew 5:3-6)
 - a. Recognize _____ (Matt 5:3)
 - b. Mourn _____ (Matt 5:4)
 - c. Stay _____ (Matt 5:5)
 - d. Stay _____ (Matt 5:6)
3. The _____ of Mercy
 - a. Not _____ - _____ (Matt 18:15-20; Heb 10:30-31)
 - b. _____ (Matt 18:21-22)
 - c. _____ (Matt 7:3; 18:23-35)
 - d. _____ (Matt 18:27)
 - e. _____ (Luke 10:25-37)
 - f. _____ (Luke 10:33)
 - g. _____ (Luke 10:34)
 - h. _____ (Luke 10:34-35)
4. The Recipients of Mercy
 - a. _____ (Eph 2:4-5)
 - b. _____ (Psalm 147:3; Zeph 3:17)
 - c. _____

1. Describe a time when someone extended mercy to you. How did it make you feel? What about the situation surprised you?

2. Read Matthew 5:1–7. In your own words, describe the logical progression of the Beatitudes from one to the other so far. Why are the prior Beatitudes prerequisite to v7?

3. Read Matthew 19:21–35. What does this story teach us about mercy?

4. Read Luke 10:25–37. How about this story? How does the Good Samaritan compare with the unmerciful servant?

5. Which characteristics of mercy as outlined in the sermon do you identify with? Which ones do you struggle with? Why?

6. How does your appreciation of grace impact your ability to extend mercy to others?

7. Read Psalm 147:3 and Zeph 3:17. Reflect on God’s loving-kindness towards you. Meditate on it and give God thanks. Now, consider the person (or persons) for whom mercy is most difficult for you to extend. Ask God to remind you of your own need constantly as he equips you to extend that same mercy to those around you, even when it’s hard.