

THE MERCY OF GOD

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A. THE MERCY OF GOD IS CONTAINED IN GOD'S WISDOM

James 3:17

¹⁷ But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, reasonable, full of mercy and good fruits, unwavering, without hypocrisy.

Proverbs 9:10

¹⁰ The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, And the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

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6. Full of good fruits
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8. Without Hypocrisy

B. THE MERCY OF GOD IS COMFORTING

Psalm 119:76

⁷⁶ O may Your lovingkindness comfort me, According to Your word to Your servant.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

³ Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort,
⁴ who comforts us in all our affliction so that we will be able to comfort those who are in any affliction with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

C. THE MERCY OF GOD WAS COSTLY

1 Peter 1:3

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

D. THE MERCY OF GOD IS GREAT

Psalm 103:8

⁸ The LORD is compassionate and gracious, Slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness.

Psalm 108:4

⁴ For Your lovingkindness is great above the heavens, And Your truth reaches to the skies.

Psalm 117:2

² For His lovingkindness is great toward us, And the truth of the LORD is everlasting. Praise the LORD!

E. THE MERCY OF GOD IS CONTINUAL

1 Chronicles 16:34

³⁴ O give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;
For His lovingkindness is everlasting.

Psalms 103:17-18

¹⁷ But the lovingkindness of the LORD is from
everlasting to everlasting on those who fear
Him, And His righteousness to children's
children,

¹⁸ To those who keep His covenant And
remember His precepts to do them.

E. THE MERCY OF GOD IS CONTINUAL

Psalm 100:5

⁵ For the LORD is good; His
lovingkindness is everlasting And His
faithfulness to all generations.

F. MERCY IS CHARACTERISTIC OF GOD'S NATURE

Psalm 116:5

⁵ Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; Yes, our God is compassionate.

1 Timothy 1:2

² To Timothy, *my* true child in *the* faith: Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

G. THE MERCY OF GOD CLEARS US OF OUR SINS

Joel 2:13

¹³ And rend your heart and not your garments."

Now return to the LORD your God, For He is gracious and compassionate, Slow to anger, abounding in lovingkindness And relenting of evil.

G. THE MERCY OF GOD CLEARS US OF OUR SINS

Titus 3:5-7

⁵ He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, **but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit,**

⁶ whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior,

⁷ so that **being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to *the* hope of eternal life.**

H. THE MERCY OF GOD IS CENTERED IN GOD'S WORD AND HIS GREAT LOVE FOR US

Ephesians 2:4

⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us,

Hebrews 4:16

¹⁶ Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

I. THE MERCY OF GOD IS CONFERRED ON THE REPENTANT, MERCIFUL AND PRAYERFUL

Matthew 5:7

7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy."

Luke 1:50

50 "AND HIS MERCY IS UPON GENERATION AFTER GENERATION TOWARD THOSE WHO FEAR HIM."

Luke 18:13

13 "But the tax collector, standing some distance away, was even unwilling to lift up his eyes to heaven, but was beating his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, the sinner!'"

J. THE MERCY OF GOD IS TO BE COPIED BY US

Luke 6:36

³⁶ "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Matthew 7:12

¹² "In everything, therefore, treat people the same way you want them to treat you, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

In Conclusion – The Mercy of God

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