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Blessed: *Sharing in the fullness of life God originally intended.*

Matthew 5:7

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

Psalm 51:1

*"Have **mercy** on me, O God,
according to your unfailing love;
according to your great compassion
blot out my transgressions.."*

Proverbs 28:13

*"Whoever conceals their sins does not prosper, but the one who confesses and renounces them finds **mercy**."*

Romans 1:31

*"[The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who]... have no understanding, no fidelity, no love, no **mercy.**"*

James 3:17

*"But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of **mercy** and good fruit, impartial and sincere."*

Hosea 6:6

“For I desire **mercy**, not sacrifice, and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings”

What is mercy?

- mercy is not receiving our rightful punishment

Matthew 18:21-35

¹ Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, “Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?”

²² Jesus answered, “I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times.

²³ “Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants”

Matthew 18:21-35

²⁴ As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand bags of gold was brought to him. ²⁵ Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay the debt. ²⁶ “At this the servant fell on his knees before him. ‘Be patient with me,’ he begged, ‘and I will pay back everything.’ ²⁷ The servant’s master took pity on him, canceled the debt and let him go.

The INVITATION to receive God's Mercy

- *Sin separates us from God and carries with it a debt that we cannot pay*
- *God loved us so much that he made a way for us to pay that debt*
- *Have you received Gods mercy?*

Matthew 18:21-35

²⁸ “But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred silver coins. He grabbed him and began to choke him. ‘Pay back what you owe me!’ he demanded.

²⁹ “His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged him, ‘Be patient with me, and I will pay it back.’

³⁰ “But he refused. Instead, he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt.

Matthew 18:21-35

³¹ When the other servants saw what had happened, they were outraged and went and told their master everything that had happened.

³² “Then the master called the servant in. ‘You wicked servant,’ he said, ‘I canceled all that debt of yours because you begged me to.’ ³³ Shouldn’t you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?’

Matthew 18:21-35

³⁴ In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed.

The OPPORTUNITY to offer God's Mercy

- *If you can receive God's mercy, it begins is work of changing our heart towards others*
- *The opportunities we have to show mercy to others, is how others begin to experience God's mercy as well*

Matthew 18:21-35

³⁵ “This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

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A large, dark red, irregular X-shaped mark, resembling a bloodstain or ink blot, is centered over the word "N A R K E D". The mark has a central, darker red area that fades into a lighter red at the edges of the X. The word "N A R K E D" is written in a white, serif font, with the letter 'R' positioned directly in the center of the red mark.