



Grace vs Mercy September 4, 2022

Psalm 103

**Bless the Lord, O my soul,
And all that is within me, bless His holy name.
2 Bless the Lord, O my soul,
And forget none of His benefits;
3 Who pardons all your iniquities,
Who heals all your diseases;
4 Who redeems your life from the pit,
Who crowns you with lovingkindness and compassion;
5 Who satisfies your years with good things,
So that your youth is renewed like the eagle.**

Matthew 5:7

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

Types of Mercy

1. God's Mercy towards us, God's grace towards us

GRACE - God's Riches At Christ's Expense

Romans 5:8

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

John 3:16

16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

Ephesians 2:4-5

"As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, 4 But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, 5 made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved."

2. Mercy we give to others

1 John 4:7-8

7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. 8 The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

Philippians 2:5-8

**5 In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus... being made in human likeness - he humbled himself
by becoming obedient to death—
even death on a cross!**

Matthew 6:12,14-15

"Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors."

14 For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

Genesis 6:5-8

5 Then the Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, 6 The Lord was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. 7 The Lord said, "I will blot out man 8 But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord.

Genesis 12:2

Matthew 18:21-35

35 My heavenly Father will also do the same to you, if each of you does not forgive his brother from your heart."

James 2:13

For judgment will be merciless to one who has shown no mercy, mercy triumphs over judgment.

Luke 10:25-37 - The Good Samaritan

25 And a lawyer stood up and put Him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?"

Who do you need to show mercy to today?

Who do you need to ask forgiveness from today?

Who do you need for forgive today?

MERCY vs. GRACE

The difference between mercy & grace...

Mercy is not getting what we deserve...

Grace is getting what we don't deserve...

Psalm 103 says "He redeemed my life from the pit" - that's mercy

"Crowns me with lovingkindness and compassion - that's grace!

We've been rescued (from hell), but need to continue in God's grace...

If God has done this for you and me, how can we not do that for others...giving of grace...

Blessed are those who are merciful...

Bucket vs. Funnel

What does a bucket do - it collects...

What does a funnel do - it gives out

Oh, we want God's mercy on our lives, but are you a reservoir or a conduit??

God, I need your help...I want to forgive, release _____ from what they did

Are there circumstances, people, in your life you haven't let go?

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