



# WEEK SEVENTEEN

## MERCIFUL

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### Day 1

1. Begin your study time with prayer. How would you explain the word mercy? The word grace? The word forgiving?
2. Read Lamentations 3:22-23. What does this verse say about God's mercies? How have you experienced that today?
3. Why is it important that mercy is not merely something God does? (Mercy is an important aspect of who God is—one of the truly defining characteristics of God in the Scriptures).
4. Do people deserve God's mercy? Why or why not? What Scripture supports your answer?
5. Write out this week's memory verse on a notecard or a piece of paper and post it somewhere you will see it often (ex: bathroom mirror, desk, bedroom, backpack, etc)

#### Memory Verse:

**“ 4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved)”**

**-Ephesians 2:4-5**

#### I'm praying about:

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## Day 2

1. Begin your study time with prayer and read Titus 3:3-7.
2. According to verse 3, how is the original state of people described?
3. According to verse 4-5, when did God save people? How is this different than the original condition of man?
4. Why was God willing to save us? Through which person is salvation achieved? Do you have any questions regarding salvation? (If you do, ask your leader)
5. Write out this weeks memory verse below.

## Day 3

1. Begin your study time with prayer and read Luke 10:25-37.
2. Who was attacked in this parable? Who neglected the man in this parable?
3. Who rescued the injured man and what type of care did he provide?
4. What does this parable teach us? Who are we supposed to treat this way? Does your life reflect loving others and showing mercy? Explain why or why not?
5. Write out this weeks memory verse below.

## Day 4

1. Begin your study time with prayer and read Matthew 9:36, 14:14; Mark 6:34; Luke 7:13.
2. In what ways did Jesus Christ show compassion and mercy during His earthly ministry?
3. Jesus is the fullest expression of God's mercy. Read Ephesians 5:20 and Galatians 2:20. According to these verses how did Jesus express mercy towards all people?
4. Read 1 Peter 1:3, 1 Timothy 1:14-16, Jude 1:21. Through Jesus' act of mercy on the cross, what living hope and gift have believers received?
5. Write out this weeks memory verse below.

## Day 5

1. Begin your study time with prayer.
2. Read Luke 6:36. What does this verse command believers? Who in your life are you willing to extend mercy to? Who in your life do you struggle extending mercy to?
3. Read Zechariah 7:9 & Matthew 5:7. How can believers cultivate a lifestyle of mercy?
4. Read Hebrews 4:14-16. How can an understanding of God's mercy encourage you in your prayer life?
5. Write out this weeks memory verse below.