I. What People Underestimate About God (8)

"The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love."

1. Gracious - He blesses us far beyond what we merit

2. Merciful - His mercy for His children is fixed and lavish

3. Slow to anger - He is not a hair trigger God

4. Abounding in steadfast love - greater than we think, deeper than we imagine, more enduring than we feel

II. What We Must Understand About God (9)

"The LORD is good to all, and <u>His mercy is over all that He has made</u>."

III. What We Should Expect From God (10-11)

"All <u>Your works</u> shall give thanks to You, O LORD, and all <u>Your saints</u> shall bless You! 11 They shall speak of <u>the</u> <u>glory of Your Kingdom</u> and tell of <u>Your power</u>..."

1. Expect His powerful works among you

2. Expect joyfully saved people to praise Him

3. Expect His glory to manifest as we advance His Kingdom

4. Expect His power - and tell others of it!

IV. What We Must Declare About God (12)

"...<u>to make known</u> to the children of man Your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of Your Kingdom."

1. Make known - publish, declare, decree, advance, proclaim, communicate

2. To the next generation - every generation owes a debt of love to the next to tell of Him

3. Tell of His mighty deeds - from the Word, from the lives of others, from our own lives

4. The glorious splendor of His Kingdom - pry their eyes off from this temporary fading kingdom