

DISCUSSION GUIDE (November 5, 2023)

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Message: *Blessed Are The Merciful* (Series: *#Blessed: A Look At The Beatitudes*)

PRIMARY PASSAGES

Matthew 5:7: *Blessed are the merciful for they will receive mercy.*

Matthew 18:21-35

MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS

- Mercy: when you DON'T get what you deserve. Forgiveness
- A Christian _____ something before he _____ something.
- Kingdom of heaven

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Share an example of a time when you were forgiven although you didn't deserve it.
2. What is the difference between Mercy and Grace?
3. Joe took a sideroad to talk about mercy (forgiveness not always looking the same way)
Reflect on what he said.
Are there times when forgiveness should not be given?
Are there times when the kind of forgiveness looks different?
If so, what are those times? Give a few examples.
4. How do you see each Beatitude building on the one before?
5. In your own words, what does Jesus mean by "The Kingdom of Heaven"?
How is it different than heaven?

***Dear God, thank You for Your mercy and forgiveness in my own life. I did not deserve it.
As I think about Your mercy, help me to know what mercy should look like in my
own life today, especially in reference to _____. Amen***