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THE BEATITUDES

Blessed Are The Merciful,
For They Shall Receive Mercy

Matt. 5:7

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- **What is mercy?**

- Mercy must not be confused with grace.
- Grace (Gr. charis) means “kindness which bestows upon one what he has not deserved” Thayer.
- Mercy (Gr. eleos) means “mercy, kindness or good will towards the miserable and afflicted, joined with a desire to relieve them” Thayer
- Mercy not only involves an attitude of compassion, but also action.

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- **Examples of being merciful:**

- The good Samaritan, he showed mercy.

- Luke 10:30-37*

- The tax collector, he wanted mercy.

- Luke 18:9-14*

- The ten lepers, Jesus showed mercy to them.

- Luke 17:11-19*

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- **How do we show mercy?**

- It is more than just being aware of someone's need.
- It is to share in their sorrow.

Gal. 6:2; Rom. 12:15; 1 Cor. 12:25-26; Gal. 6:10

- It is to care for their physical needs.

James 2:14-17; 1 John 3:17-18

- It is to care for their spiritual needs.

James 5:19-20; Gal. 6:1

- It is to grant forgiveness. *Matt. 18:21-35; Col. 3:12-13*

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- **The result: they shall receive mercy.**
 - This is God's law of reciprocity.
Gal. 6:7-8; Col. 3:25
 - To the extent that we help others, we shall be helped. *Prov. 21:13*
 - If we forgive, we shall be forgiven. *Matt. 6:14-15*
 - If we are merciful to others, God will be merciful to us. *James 2:13; Luke 6:35-38*

STEPS OF SALVATION:

FROM **SINNER** TO **SAVED**

SAVED

MAN'S PART

Remain Faithful
Co 1.21f;
Re 2.10

Baptism
into Christ

Mk 16.16;
1P 3.21

Confess

Faith, Ro
10.9, 10;
Ac 8.37

Repent

of Sins
Ac 2.38;
17.30

Believe

Gospel
Jn 8.24;
He 11.6

Hear

Gospel
Ro 10.13f;
Jn 6.44, 45

Spirit
Revealed
Word
Jn 16.13

Jesus Shed
His Blood

Ep 1.7;
1Pe 1.19

God Sent
His Son
Jn 3.16;
1Jn 4.10

GOD'S PART

SINNER

**What must
I do to be
saved?!**