

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.”

Matthew 5:7 NIV11



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What have we found helpful so far?



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Poor In Spirit

Hungry for Righteousness

Meek

Mourn

Merciful



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Old Covenant

1. **hesed**: steadfast love, Psalm 89.28
2. **hanan**: undeserved help, Psalm 103.8
3. **raham**: empathic love, Isaiah 13:18;
49:15; Psalm 18:1



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New Covenant

- **Salvation:** Ephesians 2:4; Titus 3:5.
- **Jesus:** John 11:33, 38.
- **Discipleship:** Luke 6:36; Matthew 18:21ff; Colossians 3:12; James 2:13.



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**“Grace answers to the undeserving,
mercy answers to the miserable.”**



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What Biblical examples can you think of?

“...mercy answers to the miserable.”



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Mercy is not 'tolerance'

“Now go, attack the Amalekites and totally destroy all that belongs to them. Do not spare them; put to death men and women, children and infants, cattle and sheep, camels and donkeys.’ ”

“But Saul and the army spared Agag and the best of the sheep and cattle, the fat calves and lambs—everything that was good. These they were unwilling to destroy completely, but everything that was despised and weak they totally destroyed. Then the word of the LORD came to Samuel: “I regret that I have made Saul king, because he has turned away from me and has not carried out my instructions.” Samuel was angry, and he cried out to the LORD all that night.”

(1 Samuel 15:3, 9–11 NIV11)



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What does mercy look like in daily life?

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Expressions of Mercy

- **Gentleness**
- **Patience**
- **Eagerness**
- **Cheerfulness**
- **Generosity**
- **Practical**
- **Restoration**

Developing a Merciful Spirit



1. Reflect

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2. Repent

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3. Notice

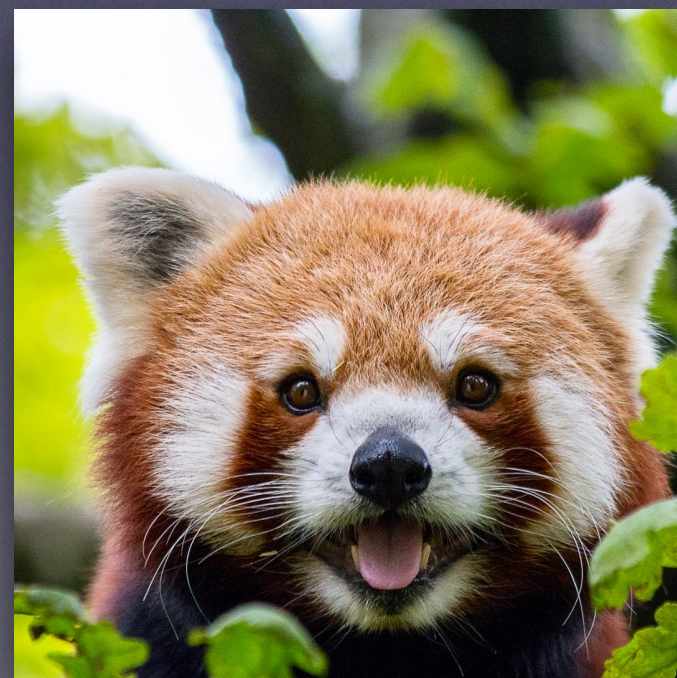
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YOU ARE MERCIFUL TO ME

**You are merciful to me,
You are merciful to me,
You are merciful to me, my Lord.**
(Repeat)

**Every day my disobedience
Grieves Your loving heart;
But then redeeming love breaks through,
And causes me to worship You.**

(Men – Women echo)
**Redeemer, Saviour,
Healer, and Friend.
Every day
Renew my ways,
Fill me with love
That never ends.**

How can you apply this beatitude tomorrow?

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.”

– (Matthew 5:5)



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