

# THE MERCY OF GOD

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## **Genesis 19:16**

And while he lingered, the men took hold of his hand, his wife's hand, and the hands of his two daughters, the LORD being merciful to him, and they brought him out and set him outside the city.

**Why was God merciful to Lot?**

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## **Genesis 24:27**

And he said, "Blessed be the LORD God of my master Abraham, who has not forsaken His **mercy** and His truth toward my master. As for me, being on the way, the LORD led me to the house of my master's brethren."

**Knowing this, how comforting do you think this is to Abraham's servant?**

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## **Exodus 20:6**

"Showing mercy unto thousands of them that love Me, and keep My Commandments."

**What are the conditions for mercy?**

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## **Exodus 34:6**

And the LORD passed before him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abounding in goodness and truth,

**In addition to being merciful, what are the other traits of God?**

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## **Deuteronomy 4:31**

for the LORD your God *is* a merciful God, He will not forsake you nor destroy you, nor forget the covenant of your fathers which He swore to them.

**Why was God promising this to Israel?**

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## **Deuteronomy 13:16-17**

And you shall gather all its plunder into the middle of the street, and completely burn with fire the city and all its plunder, for the LORD your God. It shall be a heap forever; it shall not be built again. So none of the accursed things shall remain in your hand, that the LORD may turn from the fierceness of His anger and show you mercy, have compassion on you and multiply you, just as He swore to your fathers,

**What happened that mercy should be shown?**

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## **II Chronicles 1:8**

And Solomon said to **God**: "You have shown great **mercy** to David my father, and have made me king in his place.

**Explain Solomon's appreciation of God's mercy.**

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## **II Chronicles 6:14**

and he said: "LORD **God** of Israel, there is no **God** in heaven or on earth like You, who keep Your covenant and **mercy** with Your servants who walk before You with all their hearts.

**Why does God show his mercy?**

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**II Chronicles 30:9 or Nehemiah 9:31**

Nevertheless in Your great mercy you did not utterly consume them nor forsake them; for You *are* God, gracious and merciful.

**Explain what God's Mercy allowed?**

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**Ezra 7:28**

and has extended **mercy** to me before the king and his counselors, and before all the king's mighty princes. So I was encouraged, as the hand of the LORD my **God** was upon me; and I gathered leading men of Israel to go up with me.

**Why did Ezra extol the mercy of God?**

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**Psalm 36:5**

Your mercy, O LORD, *is* in the heavens; Your faithfulness *reaches* to the clouds.

Your mercy, O LORD, *is* in the heavens;

**How do you think that David know that mercy is in the heavens?**

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**Psalm 41:4**

I said, "LORD, be merciful to me; Heal my soul, for I have sinned against You."

**Why ask for God's mercy?**

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**Psalm 41:10**

But You, O LORD, be merciful to me, and raise me up; That I may repay them.

**What condition did David put on God's mercy?**

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**Psalm 51:1**

Have **mercy** upon me, O **God**, According to Your loving kindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions.

**What is David's Concept of God's mercy?**

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**Psalm 57:10 or Psalm 108:4**

For Your mercy reaches unto the heavens, and Your truth unto the clouds.

**Where is God's Mercy and Truth?**

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**Psalm 59:17**

To You, O my Strength, I will sing praises; For **God** is my defense, My **God** of **mercy**.

**Why was David willing to sing praises?**

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**Psalm 69:13**

But as for me, my prayer is to You, O LORD, in the acceptable time; O **God**, in the multitude of Your **mercy**, Hear me in the truth of Your salvation.

**How great would you say God's mercy is?**

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**Psalm 85:6-7. 9**

"Turn us, O God of our Salvation, and cause Thine anger toward us to cease... 7 Show us Thy mercy, O LORD, and grant us Thy Salvation... 9 Surely His Salvation is nigh them that fear Him; that glory may dwell in our land."

**Why did David make his plea to God?**

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**Psalm 103:8**

The LORD *is* merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in mercy.

**Explain the characteristics of God described here.**

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**Psalm 117:2**

For His merciful kindness is great toward us, and the truth of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!

**Explain the magnitude of His mercy?**

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### **Psalm 118:1 or 136:1**

Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His **mercy** endures forever.

**Describe the longevity of God's Mercy.**

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### **Isaiah 54:8**

With a little wrath I hid My face from you for a moment; But with everlasting kindness I will have mercy on you," Says the LORD, your Redeemer.

**Why did God show mercy?**

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### **Isaiah 54:10**

Seek the Lord while you can find him. Call upon him now while he is near. Let men cast off their wicked deeds; let them banish from their minds the very thought of doing wrong! Let them turn to the Lord **that He may have mercy** upon them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon! "This plan of mine is not what you would work out, neither are my thoughts the same as yours! For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than yours, and my thoughts than yours.

**God will give what?**

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### **Jeremiah 3:12**

Go and proclaim these words toward the north, and say: 'Return, backsliding Israel,' says the LORD; 'I will not cause My anger to fall on you. for I *am* merciful,' says the LORD; 'I will not remain angry forever.

**What is God saying here?**

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### **Joel 2:13**

So rend your heart, and not your garments; Return to the LORD your God, for He *is* gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness; and He relents from doing harm.

**What are the five things God will do?**

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### **Jonah 4:2**

So he prayed to the LORD, and said, "Ah, LORD, was not this what I said when I was still in my country? Therefore I fled previously to Tarshish; for I know that You *are* a gracious and merciful God, slow to anger and abundant in loving kindness, One who relents from doing harm.

**What is Jonah's plea?**

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### **Daniel 9:9**

To the Lord our **God** belong **mercy** and forgiveness, though we have rebelled against Him.

**Should God show mercy to them that are rebelling?**

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### **Hosea 1:7**

Yet I will have **mercy** on the house of Judah, Will save them by the LORD their **God**, And will not save them by bow, Nor by sword or battle, By horses or horsemen."

**What is this explained here?**

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### **Luke 1:78**

Through the tender **mercy** of our **God**, With which the Dayspring from on high has visited us;

**How is God's Mercy expressed here?**

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### **Luke 18:13**

And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise *his* eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!'

**How could a sinner be worthy of God's mercy?**

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**Romans 9:16**

So then it is not of him who wills, nor of him who runs, but of **God** who shows **mercy**.

**Why does God show mercy?**

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**Romans 15:9**

and that the Gentiles might glorify **God** for His **mercy**, as it is written: “ For this reason I will confess to You among the Gentiles, And sing to Your name.”

**Where would we be without God's Mercy?**

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**Galatians 6:16**

And as many as walk according to this rule, peace and **mercy** be upon them, and upon the Israel of **God**.

**Why would God's mercy be upon us?**

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**Ephesians 2:4**

But **God**, who is rich in mercy, because of His great **love** with which He **loved** us,

**Why is He rich in mercy?**

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**Hebrews 8:12**

For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more.

**What did it take for God to extend his mercy?**

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**I Timothy 1:2**

To Timothy, a true son in the faith: Grace, **mercy**, and peace from **God** our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord.

**And Titus 1:4**

To Titus, a true son in our common faith: Grace, **mercy**, and peace from **God** the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Savior.

**How were these words reassuring to Timothy and Titus?**

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**I Peter 1:3** Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

**What did God's mercy provide to us?**

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**1 Peter 2:10**

who once were not a people but are now the people of **God**, who had not obtained **mercy** but now have obtained **mercy**.

**Who are the people spoken of here?**

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**James 5:11**

Indeed we count them blessed who endure. You have heard of the perseverance of Job and seen the end intended by the Lord—that the Lord is very compassionate and merciful.

**What is the point of endurance?**

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**2 John 1:3**

Grace, **mercy**, and peace will be with you from **God** the Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love.

**Who is the source of grace, mercy and peace?**

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**Jude 1:21**

keep yourselves in the love of **God**, looking for the **mercy** of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

**Relate mercy and eternal life.**

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**EXPLAIN WHY GOD'S MERCY IS IMPORTANT TO US.**

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