

Let's Practice Jesus' Blessed Life!

"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall be shown mercy."

Matthew 5:7

Does Jesus mean?

- A. ___ *"Do unto others as you would like them to do unto you."*
- B. ___ *"You should do unto others as you would like God to do unto you"*
- C. ___ *"We should do unto others as God in His mercy has done to us."*

No one _____ mercy.

God's mercy means that God does not give to sinners what we do deserve: _____
God's grace means that God does give to sinners what we don't deserve: _____

Matthew 9:10-12

"While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and 'sinners' came and ate with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and 'sinners'?' On hearing this, Jesus said, *'It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.'* For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Jesus' two parables about God's mercy:

1. **The Good Samaritan. Luke 10:25-37**

"Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?" The expert in the law replied, *'The one who had mercy on him.'*
Jesus told him, *'Go and do likewise.'*" vs. 36, 37

2. **The Unmerciful Servant. Matthew 18:21-35**

"This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother from your heart." v. 35

Mercy is expressed by _____.

"for they shall be shown mercy"

Who sees mercy? The _____.

Matthew 6:14,15 *"For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins."*

Matthew 18:21, 22 Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother when he sins against me? Up to seven times?" Jesus answered, *"I tell you, not seven times, but seventy times seven."*

Forgivers don't _____ of how many times they forgive.

"Speak and act as those who are going to be judged by the law that gives freedom, because judgment without mercy will be shown to anyone who has not been merciful. Mercy triumphs over judgment!" **James 2:12,13**

Sunday: *Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.* **Matthew 5:8**