

Mercy for the Merciful

Matthew 5:7

From whom does the blessed person receive mercy?

Is showing mercy a prerequisite for receiving mercy from God?

Ps. 18:25; Matt. 6:14

Titus 3:3–5 “For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another. But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, **but according to his own mercy**, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit.”

Ephesians 2:1–5 “And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, **being rich in mercy**, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved.”

Why do we show mercy to others?

Matthew 18:23-35

Why do we find it so difficult to show mercy to those who are closest to us?

In what ways can we show mercy to our children/spouse/siblings in the home?

When is the most difficult time to show mercy to our family members and why?