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The “*glory of the LORD*” is seen in HIS “*goodness*”. HIS “*goodness*” is manifested in HIS willingness to show mercy to the sons of men. Nothing can prevent HIS bestowal of that mercy, as HE declares HIS sovereign right to dispense that mercy as HE sees fit. And who could bring any accusation against HIM if HE withholds mercy from some. Mercy would not be mercy if it is not sovereignly dispensed according to HIS pleasure and not the merits of the recipient. For then it would be the payment of a debt, of which the LORD has none.

Therefore, when we discuss the mercy of GOD; any such discussion must be attended with the truth which the scriptures declare concerning that mercy and the ONE who is pleased to show it according to HIS own prerogative. The LORD prepares the hearts of those to whom HE will show mercy by causing them to confess that apart from HIS mercy they will surely perish. The publican who went up to the temple to pray went down to his house “justified”, not because of something he said or thought, but because he was an object of the LORD’s mercy which was manifested by the convicting work of the SPIRIT of GOD which moved him to cry out to the LORD. “*God be merciful to me a sinner.*”

David manifested the work of the SPIRIT of GOD in him, when he was confronted with his sin by the prophet Nathan. Those words, “*thou art the man*”, went into his heart like a dagger, and he was in a moment brought down to that same condition of which Daniel writes, “*there remained no strength in me: for my comeliness was turned in me into corruption, and I retained no strength.*” We read David’s confession and desperate plea “*Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me. Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest. Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.* None who seek HIS mercy will be turned away, for it is GOD which works in them both to will and to do of HIS good pleasure, according as HE dispenses HIS mercy.

All who have tasted that the LORD is gracious, confess that HIS mercy is “*everlasting*”. We cannot trace its beginning and HIS promise and faithfulness ensures that it will have no end. Nothing about HIS mercy in anywise depends upon the recipients of it. “*Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.*” The objects of HIS love (i.e.; HIS elect, the called according to HIS purpose) are the recipients of HIS “*everlasting mercy.*” Apart from seeing the MAN CHRIST JESUS, a man can neither see nor know the TRUE AND LIVING GOD. “*I have made the earth, the man and the beast that are upon the ground, by my great power and by my outstretched arm, and have given it unto whom it seemed meet unto me.*” “*For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.*”

Thus, when HE told HIS disciples, “*I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.*” HE was not merely claiming to be speaking truth, but that HE is the very embodiment of TRUTH. No man can know the truth apart from knowing HIM who is that “*TRUTH which endureth to all generations.*” HE is the SAVIOR of HIS people. HE is that “*covering*” which was given to Adam and Eve. HE is that SEED which would bruise the head of the serpent. HE is that ARK in which Noah and his family rode upon the flood. HE is that BOW which was set in the CLOUDS. HE is that RAM caught in the thicket when Abraham would sacrifice the PROMISED SEED upon Mt. Moriah. HE is that ROCK which followed the children of Israel in the wilderness. HE is that CITY not made with hands, which those confessed that they sought as strangers and pilgrims in the earth. HE is that ONE who has come in the end of the age to pour out HIS soul as an offering for sin in the behalf of all of that “*generation*” which are HIS. HE is that ONE who rose victorious over sin, death, and hell and made a show openly of all of HIS enemies, triumphing over them and giving gifts unto those whom HE loves. HE is the TRUTH which endures; HE who shall come again in flaming fire taking vengeance on all who know not GOD, and who have not received a love of the TRUTH that they might be saved. What a glorious SAVIOR is HE. Do you call upon HIS NAME?

*Thy free grace alone,*”#11 **If you would like a free transcript of this broadcast email us at [forthe poor@windstream.net](mailto:forthe poor@windstream.net)**