

KNOWING GOD

WEEK SIX: A MERCIFUL GOD

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Text: Lamentations 3:22–23

“It is of the LORD’S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. 23 They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.” (Lamentations 3:22–23)

INTRODUCTION

“Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)” (Hebrews 10:23)

“He hath not dealt with us after our sins; Nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. 11 For as the heaven is high above the earth, So great is his mercy toward them that fear him.” (Psalm 103:10–11)

1. HE IS FAITHFUL IN _____

Quote: “Mercy is God’s compassionate response to human misery and guilt, whereby He withholds deserved judgment and extends help, forgiveness, and restoration.”

“For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.” (Hebrews 8:12)

“If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.” (1 John 1:8)

A. By His Mercy We Are _____ (v. 22b)

“But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, longsuffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth.” (Psalm 86:15)

“For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.” (Psalm 30:5)

“Many times did he deliver them; but they provoked him with their counsel, and were brought low for their iniquity. 44 Nevertheless he regarded their affliction, when he heard their cry: 45 And he remembered for them his covenant, and repented according to the multitude of his mercies.” (Psalm 106:43–45)

B. By His Mercy We Are _____

“But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4:19)

“The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: But they that seek the LORD shall not want any good thing.” (Psalm 34:10)

“I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread. 26 He is ever merciful, and lendeth; and his seed is blessed.” (Psalm 37:25–26)

“Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.” (Hebrews 4:16)

C. By His Mercy We Are _____

“There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.” (1 Corinthians 10:13)

2. HE IS FAITHFUL IN _____ (v. 22b)

Quote: “Biblical compassion is a deep awareness of another person’s suffering or need that moves the heart to take action to help.”

“The LORD is gracious, and full of compassion; Slow to anger, and of great mercy. The LORD is good to all: And his tender mercies are over all his works.” (Psalm 145:8–9)

“Like as a father pitieth his children, So the LORD pitieth them that fear him.” (Psalm 103:13)

A. He _____

BY HIS PRESENCE

“Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; 4 Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.” (2 Corinthians 1:3-4)

“And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;” (John 14:16)

BY HIS WORD

“Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O LORD God of hosts.” (Jeremiah 15:16)

B. He _____

“All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.” (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

“For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.” (2 Peter 1:21)

“And it came to pass, when Moses had made an end of writing the words of this law in a book, until they were finished,” (Deuteronomy 31:24)

Quote: “We have staked our future on the 10 commandments.”
—James Madison

C. He _____

“God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble.” (Psalm 46:1)

3. HE IS FAITHFUL IN _____

Quote: “Forgiveness is God releasing the repentant sinner from the guilt and debt of sin because Christ paid that debt in full.”

“As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.” (Psalm 103:12)

*“Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
2 Blessed is the man unto whom the LORD imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no guile.” (Psalm 32:1-2)*

A. We Are Forgiven Through His _____

“In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;” (Ephesians 1:7)

“Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.” (Romans 5:9)

B. We Are Forgiven By His _____

“For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.” (Ephesians 2:8–9)

“I write unto you, little children, because your sins are forgiven you for his name’s sake.” (1 John 2:12)

C. We Are Forgiven For Our _____

“But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.” (Romans 5:8–9)

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.” (1 John 1:9–10)

“That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.” (Titus 3:7)

CONCLUSION

“And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.” (Luke 15:20)

“Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.” (John 14:6)

“Saying, Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered. 8 Blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin.” (Romans 4:7–8)



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