

HOW TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S BLESSING IN YOUR LIFE  
Matt. 5:7 – "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy."  
"I'm going to treat others the way I want to be treated!"

To be merciful, we must remember that we have received mercy from God  
\_\_\_\_\_. Titus 3:5, Eph. 2:4, Lam. 3:22 (daily mercies!)

There's a difference between grace and mercy. Grace is giving us good things we  
DON'T deserve. \_\_\_\_\_ is NOT giving us what we DO deserve!

LUKE 6:32 - 36 – Jesus makes a practical application of this character quality of  
mercy.

### I. WHAT IS MERCY?

In the Old Testament, the Hebrew word translated "merciful" has the idea of  
"the ability to get right inside the other person's skin until we can \_\_\_\_\_  
things with his eyes, think things with his mind, and \_\_\_\_\_ things with  
his feelings."

In the New Testament, the Greek word translated "merciful" has the same idea.  
Someone defined mercy as "your \_\_\_\_\_ in my heart." It is not just  
feeling the need – it is \_\_\_\_\_ it. It's important to  
understand that it is not a "FEELING" word, it is an "\_\_\_\_\_ " word.

Mercy is demonstrated in 2 primary ways:

1. I'm going to \_\_\_\_\_ others the way I want to be treated.  
Matt. 18:23 – 35

2. I'm going to \_\_\_\_\_ because I need to be forgiven!  
Col. 3:12 - 14

One other passage: Gal. 6:2 – (NIV) "Carry each other's burdens" – (KJV)  
"Bear one another's burdens" Gal. 6:5 – "Each one should carry his own load."

Gal. 6:2 – a heavy burden, that makes a demand of your resources

Gal. 6:5 – the regular burden of daily toil

How can we do that?

1. Be sensitive to the \_\_\_\_\_ .

2. Be sensitive to the other person.

