## sermonnotes What God Wants: Part 2

Following Jesus is more than repentance and acceptance. That is a critical first step as we begin the faith journey, but we are called to work out our faith on a daily basis. (*Philippians 2:12*)

As Christ-followers, we are the \_\_\_\_\_ of great mercy from God and now we are called to live out mercy to others. More than living out mercy we are directed to fall in love with mercy.

## Micah 6:8

Mercy is lovingkindness and an act of compassion that responds to the needs of others.

## God is merciful. Because of His mercy...

- We don't get what our sins \_\_\_\_\_\_. (Romans 6:23, 2 Corinthians 5:21)
- We experience ongoing \_\_\_\_\_
  as we humbly repent. (1 John 1:9)
- We live in, and live out, the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of God. (Psalm 23:6)

"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful."—Luke 6:36

## What does it look like to love mercy?

- 1. We choose to \_\_\_\_\_\_ others as God has forgiven us. (Colossians 3:13)
- As those who have been given great mercy and forgiven of more than we could ever repay, we are called to forgive others in the same manner. (Matthew 18:21–35)
- 2. We choose to \_\_\_\_\_\_ people who are in places of need. (1 John 3:17–18)
- As Christ-followers, we are directed to love our neighbor which requires us to act or move toward points of need. (Luke 10:25–37)
- 3. We choose to live out \_\_\_\_\_ to others.
- Rather than giving people what is due them, we look for opportunities to be a blessing to them.
- 2 Samuel 9:1–13

Answers: recipients; deserve; forgiveness; goodness; forgive; help; lovingkindness



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