



**“Living Under  
The Cross:  
Blessed Are The  
Merciful”**

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I. A story of showing mercy

II. The relationship of “mercy” to “grace

*“Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.” – Hebrews 4:16*

“Grace” is often linked to the word \_\_\_\_\_.

“Mercy” is often linked to the word \_\_\_\_\_.

III. Jesus explains more about “mercy” in the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5:38-44)

- *Turn your other cheek...*
- *If someone sues you & takes your tunic give him your cloak also*
- *Give to the one who begs from you...*
- *Love your enemies...*

**What Does It Mean To Love My Enemies And Show Mercy To Those Who Disagree With Me?**

**1. I will develop the instinct to \_\_\_\_\_ rather than \_\_\_\_\_ . My enemy is somebody worth understanding.**

*“Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.” – Romans 12:14*

**2. I will develop the instinct to \_\_\_\_\_ rather than \_\_\_\_\_ . My enemy is somebody worth saving.**

*“Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all.” – Romans 12:17*

**3. I will develop the instinct to let them face \_\_\_\_\_ anger rather than \_\_\_\_\_ . My enemy is somebody worth giving over to God.**

*“Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God’s wrath, for it is written: ‘It is mine to avenge; I will repay,’ says the Lord.” – Romans 12:19*

**Our Project Of The Week:**