

Merciful

I want to be like you. I want to live like you lived. I want to go where you went. I want to do what you did. **What exactly do you have in mind?** That is a good question. I want to have your heart and mind. I want to love others like you loved. I want to think your thoughts. I want to know and do your will. You have shown me your kindness, mercy and love. I know that it is your will that I become like you. I know that you want me to do what you did. I know you want me to go where you went. I know that you want me to become like you. So, I am telling you that I want what you want. **That is very good.**

What will you do with those who have hurt and harmed you? How will you respond to those who are less fortunate than you? What attitude will you have to those who are feeble and weak? How will act toward those who are full of pride and arrogance? How will you relate to those who are self-indulgent, self-sufficient and self-centered? Those are all good questions. Each one of those questions places a test before me. In every case, I will need to affirm my commitment and desire to live like you lived and do what you did. **That's right.** Without your help, I would not pass these tests. I cannot love like you loved without your love living in me. I would not be able to show others your mercy without be grateful and thankful for the mercy that you have shown to me. I have not earned your forgiveness. I do not merit your love. You have shown me your kindness, mercy and love even though I have certainly not deserved it. You have not shown me your anger and judgement even though I have deserved it. I am thankful. I am grateful. I know that I love you because you first loved me. Oftentimes, you have used others to show me your love. Your kindness, mercy and love overflowed others' lives and allowed them to be a witness in the world for you. I am someone else's fruit. I came to you partly through you living in and through the lives of others. **Yes, you did.** Well, that's exactly how I want you to use me. I want your kindness, mercy and love to flow through me, so that others can be drawn to you. Help me to be merciful to others just as you have been and continue to be merciful to me. **That is a very good prayer that I will certainly hear and answer.**

Lord, you have shown me your kindness, mercy and love. You have forgiven my sins and cleansed all my unrighteousness. You have not given me what I deserved. You have given me what I did not deserve. Help me now to show your abundant mercy to others. Amen

Be *Shown Mercy*
Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
NIV Matthew 5:7

Be *Receive Mercy*
"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.
ESV Matthew 5:7

Be *Shown Mercy*
God blesses those who are merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
NLT Matthew 5:7

Be *Obtain Mercy*
Blessed *are* the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy.
NKJV Matthew 5:7

Be *Receive Mercy*
"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
NRSV Matthew 5:7

Be *Cared For*
"You're blessed when you care. At the moment of being 'carefull,' you find yourselves cared for.
MSG Matthew 5:7

Be *Obtain Mercy*
Blessed (happy, to be envied, and spiritually prosperous—with life-joy and satisfaction in God's favor and salvation, regardless of their outward conditions) are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy!
AMP Matthew 5:7

Be *Shown Mercy*
Happy are the kind and merciful, for they shall be shown mercy.
TLB Matthew 5:7

Be *Receive Mercy*
"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.
NASB Matthew 5:7

Be *Show Mercy To Them*
Those who show mercy to others are happy, because God will show mercy to them.
NCV Matthew 5:7

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you show others mercy so that you will also receive mercy.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, I will show others mercy so I can also receive your mercy.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how can I show mercy to others today?
