Heart of God Ministries International (HGMI)
Greater Works TEAM Building

The Heart of the Father... Mercy Is a Power of God! Love Is Amazing!

- **Mercy is not merely an expression of God's kindness toward humanity.**
- **Mercy is a divine power proceeding from the very heart and nature of God! It is the revelation of His willingness to reach into the depths of human weakness, rebellion, suffering, and spiritual darkness to accomplish what mankind could never accomplish through human strength.**
- **Mercy is God's love moving toward the undeserving, His compassion reaching toward the helpless, and His divine power making possible the restoration of those who have wandered from His Presence.**
- **Mercy does not deny the righteousness of God, nor does it diminish His holiness. Rather, mercy reveals the astonishing wisdom of God, who has provided through Jesus Christ the means by which righteousness, justice, forgiveness, and reconciliation meet together!**

Consider the extraordinary revelation that mercy is not something God reluctantly extends when humanity has exhausted every other possibility!

- **Mercy originates within His eternal nature! Before mankind recognized the depth of his need, God had already purposed the revelation of His love through His Son. Before the sinner cried out for forgiveness, the heart of the Father had already made provision for reconciliation. Before humanity understood the terrible consequences of disobedience, the wisdom of God had established the means through which His creation could be restored to fellowship and communion with Him.**

Ephesians 2:4–5 (AMP) declares, "But God, being [so very] rich in mercy, because of His great and wonderful love with which He loved us, even when we were [spiritually] dead and separated from Him because of our sins, He made us [spiritually] alive together with Christ (for by His grace—His undeserved favor and mercy—you have been saved from God's judgment)."

What an extraordinary revelation! We were not made alive because we had first demonstrated our worthiness. We were made alive because God is rich in mercy! His mercy proceeded from His great love, and His love was revealed through the life-giving power of Jesus Christ. Here we discover that mercy is far more than a sympathetic response to human suffering.

- **Mercy participates in the divine work of bringing the spiritually dead into the living fellowship of the Father through the Son by the Holy Spirit!**

*Love Is Amazing Because God Himself Is Love!

The love of God is not simply one admirable attribute among many. Love belongs to the very essence of His being! God does not become loving when we respond favorably to Him. He does not cease to love when we stumble, struggle, or fail. His love is not governed by the instability of human emotions, nor is it dependent upon our ability to earn His approval. His love is holy, righteous, faithful, purposeful, and eternal!

The greatness of divine love is revealed most completely in Jesus Christ, the living WORD of God. In Him, the invisible Father has made His heart known. Jesus did not come merely to tell mankind that God is loving. He came as the living demonstration of that love! Every act of compassion, every healing, every deliverance, every word of truth, and every invitation to repentance revealed the heart of the Father reaching toward His creation.

John 3:16 (AMP) declares that God loved the world so greatly that He gave His only begotten Son, so that everyone who believes in Him would not perish but have eternal life.

Notice the divine order of this revelation: God loved, therefore God gave! His giving was the manifestation of His love.

- **His mercy was expressed through**
- **His provision. His grace made available what humanity could never purchase, achieve, or deserve. The Cross of Jesus Christ stands as the supreme revelation that divine love is not passive!**
- **Love gives!**
- **Love sacrifices!**
- **Love redeems!**
- **Love reconciles!**
- **Love restores!**

The amazing love of God does not simply overlook the destructive power of sin. It confronts sin through the righteousness and obedience of Jesus Christ. The Cross reveals both the seriousness of human rebellion and the immeasurable greatness of God's determination to rescue His creation.

- **In Christ, mercy does not compete with righteousness.**
- **Mercy and righteousness are brought together in the fulfillment of God's Redemptive purpose!**

*Mercy Is the Divine Power That Triumphs Over Judgment!

Throughout Scripture, we discover that the mercy of God is inseparably connected to His covenant faithfulness. Even when mankind repeatedly violated His commands, God continued to reveal His willingness to forgive those who turned toward Him.

- **His mercy did not mean that disobedience was without consequences.**
- **Rather, His mercy demonstrated that judgment was not the final word concerning those who would receive His gracious provision.**

James 2:13 (AMP) declares, "For judgment will be merciless to one who has shown no mercy; but mercy triumphs [victoriously] over judgment."

What a powerful declaration! Mercy triumphs!

- **Mercy is not portrayed as weakness, helplessness, or indifference.**
- **Mercy is victorious! It reveals the character of the God whose purpose is not merely to expose human failure but to bring about Redemption through His Son.**

We must understand that divine mercy is never permission to continue in rebellion. Genuine mercy invites transformation!

- **The mercy that forgives also calls us into a new manner of living.**
- **The grace that delivers us from condemnation also instructs us to abandon ungodliness.**
- **The love that receives us also draws us into holiness, obedience, and intimate fellowship with the living God!**

The woman brought before Jesus under accusation discovered something extraordinary about the relationship between mercy and righteousness. Jesus did not affirm her sin, nor did He join those who sought her destruction. He extended mercy while calling her away from the life that had brought her into condemnation.

His response revealed the Heart of God: forgiveness opens the door to transformation!

John 8:11 (AMP) records Jesus saying, "I do not condemn you either. Go. From now on sin no more."

Here is Mercy in Divine Motion!
- **The condemned receives an opportunity for restoration.**
- **The guilty encounters the compassion of the righteous One.**
- **The sinner is called out of darkness and invited to walk in the light of life!**

[Note: See the document "Kingdom of Divine Motion" in the Inner Chambers.]
https://www.thepropheticvoice.com/inner_chambers.html

*Mercy Reaches Where Human Strength Cannot!

There are circumstances in human experience where intellect cannot provide the answer, wealth cannot purchase deliverance, and human influence cannot restore what has been lost. There are wounds of the heart that cannot be healed by persuasive words alone. There are burdens of guilt, fear, bitterness, rejection, and despair that exceed the ability of human determination to overcome.
- **Yet the mercy of God reaches into these places!**

- **His mercy meets the brokenhearted. His mercy welcomes the repentant.**
- **His mercy sustains the weary. His mercy brings hope to those who have lost their sense of purpose.**
- **His mercy opens the way for forgiveness where relationships have been fractured.**
- **His mercy draws the spiritually hungry into the revelation of Jesus Christ, Who alone is the source of eternal life!**

The blind cried out for mercy, and Jesus responded with compassion and healing. The lepers sought His cleansing, and He touched those whom society had rejected. The desperate father pleaded for his afflicted child, and Jesus revealed His authority over the powers of darkness. Again and again, the ministry of Jesus demonstrated that the mercy of God was not an abstract theological idea. It was the active expression of divine compassion accompanied by the power and authority of the Kingdom!

Hebrews 4:16 (AMP) invites believers to approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that they may receive mercy and find grace for help in their time of need.

Consider the extraordinary privilege contained in this invitation!

We are not commanded to remain at a distance, trembling in uncertainty about whether the Father is willing to receive us. Through Jesus Christ, our great High Priest, the way has been opened! We may approach His throne, not because of our personal perfection, but because of the sufficiency of Christ's finished work.

The throne of the Almighty is revealed as a throne of grace!
• Mercy is available there!
• Grace is available there!
• Help is available there!
What a glorious revelation of the Father's heart!

*The Holy Spirit Reveals the Depth of God's Love!

The love of God is not intended to remain merely a doctrine we study, a statement we repeat, or a truth we acknowledge intellectually. His love is to be experienced through the indwelling Presence and Fellowship of Holy Spirit!

Romans 5:5 (AMP) declares, "Such hope [in God's promises] never disappoints us, because God's love has been abundantly poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us."

Notice the abundance of this declaration! God's love has been poured out within our hearts! This is not a distant affection occasionally communicated from heaven. It is the living revelation of divine love ministered to the redeemed through Holy Spirit!

The Father is the source of this amazing love.!
The Son is its perfect revelation and the Mediator of our reconciliation!
The Holy Spirit brings the reality of this love into our hearts, bearing witness to our relationship with God and empowering us to live as His children!

Here we discover the wonder of intimate communion with the Holy Trinity!
The Father has loved us. The Son has redeemed us. The Holy Spirit dwells within us. We are invited to KNOW God, not merely to know about Him!

The more deeply we surrender ourselves to His presence, the more clearly we begin to understand that mercy is not merely something we have received in the past.

• Mercy continues to influence our relationship with God and our relationships with others. His faithfulness sustains us, His wisdom directs us, and His Spirit transforms us into the likeness of Jesus Christ.

*Mercy Received Must Become Mercy Expressed!

One of the greatest evidence that we have truly encountered the mercy of God is the transformation of our attitude toward others.

• How can we receive immeasurable forgiveness and then refuse forgiveness to those who have offended us?
• How can we rejoice in the compassion of our heavenly Father while withholding compassion from those who struggle?
• How can we proclaim the amazing love of Jesus Christ while remaining indifferent to the suffering of those around us?

Jesus declared in Matthew 5:7 (AMP), "Blessed [content, sheltered by God's promises] are the merciful, for they will receive mercy."

The mercy of God is intended to flow through His people!
As recipients of divine compassion, we become instruments through whom that compassion is expressed in the earth. Holy Spirit enables us to demonstrate the character of Jesus Christ in circumstances where natural human responses might otherwise produce anger, resentment, retaliation, or rejection.

- **Mercy becomes visible when we forgive rather than seek revenge.**
- **Mercy becomes audible when we speak encouragement rather than condemnation.**
- **Mercy becomes practical when we feed the hungry, comfort the grieving, assist the helpless, welcome the stranger, and restore those who have stumbled.**
- **Mercy does not require us to abandon truth, overlook injustice, or permit continued abuse.**
- **The mercy of God is always consistent with His righteousness.**
- **True mercy seeks restoration without surrendering holiness.**
  It extends forgiveness without denying accountability.
  It offers compassion while remaining faithful to the commands of God.

This is Kingdom living!
This is the character of Christ being manifested through His Body!

*His Mercies Are New Every Morning!

There is another magnificent revelation concerning the mercy of God:
- **His mercy is not exhausted by the needs of yesterday!**

Human compassion may become weary. Human patience may reach its limits. Human affection may diminish under repeated disappointment. But the covenant faithfulness of the Lord is not subject to these limitations.

Lamentations 3:22–23 (AMP) proclaims, "It is because of the Lord's lovingkindnesses that we are not consumed, Because His [tender] compassions never fail. They are new every morning; Great and beyond measure is Your faithfulness."

Every new morning becomes a testimony to His continuing faithfulness!
- **The rising sun reminds us that the mercy of God has not ceased.**
- **The breath within our bodies reminds us that life remains a gift.**
- **The indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit assures us that the Father has not abandoned His children.**
- **We may have experienced disappointment yesterday, but His mercy remains available today.**
- **We may have encountered sorrow, opposition, misunderstanding, or rejection, but His love remains steadfast.**
- **We may not understand every circumstance confronting us, but we can rest in the unchanging nature of the One who has promised never to forsake His own.**

God's mercy is not measured by the absence of trials.
It is revealed in His faithfulness through them!

*The Greatest Revelation: Mercy Has Brought Us Into Union With Christ!

The ultimate purpose of divine mercy reaches far beyond temporary relief from suffering or the forgiveness of individual transgressions. God's eternal purpose is reconciliation, restoration, and fellowship with the people He created in His image and likeness!

Through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, the barrier of sin has been addressed, and the way into the Father's Presence has been opened. The redeemed are not merely pardoned offenders standing outside the household of God. They are welcomed as His children, made alive in Christ, and brought into the fellowship of His Kingdom!

Ephesians 2:6 (AMP) declares, "And He raised us up together with Him [when we believed], and seated us with Him in the heavenly places, [because we are] in Christ Jesus."

Consider the magnitude of this revelation!
• Mercy has not merely lifted us from condemnation!
Through Christ, we have been brought into the privileges of His resurrection life and heavenly reign! We are invited to participate in His Kingdom purposes, to walk in the authority of His Name, and to manifest His love through the empowering Presence of Holy Spirit.

The risen Jesus Christ reigns now!
His victory is not awaiting the establishment of some future earthly throne.!

The Father has exalted Him above every rule, authority, power, and dominion. His Kingdom is the present reality into which believers are brought through their union with Him.

• Mercy has opened the way for communion. Love has provided the Redeemer.
• Grace has made salvation available.
• Holy Spirit brings the redeemed into the living experience of that salvation!
What a magnificent expression of the eternal wisdom of God!

*Love Is Amazing Because It Never Fails!

The greatest measure of God's love is not found in the abundance of earthly possessions, the absence of adversity, or the recognition of mankind. It is found in Jesus Christ Himself!
• He is the Father's perfect gift. He is the revelation of divine mercy.
• He is the fulfillment of the promises of God.
• He is our righteousness, our peace, our reconciliation, and our eternal life.

Romans 8:38–39 (AMP) assures us that neither death nor life, angels nor principalities, present circumstances nor things to come, nor any created thing can separate those who are in Christ Jesus from the love of God.

What an extraordinary assurance! The love of God is greater than the accusations of the enemy. His mercy is greater than the failures from which He calls us to repentance. His grace is sufficient for our weakness. His faithfulness is greater than the uncertainties of tomorrow.

Therefore, let us not merely admire His mercy. Let us receive it! Let us not merely speak about His love. Let us abide in it! Let us not merely proclaim His grace. Let us become living demonstrations of its transforming power!

Let our homes become places where mercy is practiced. Let our fellowships become places where love is manifested. Let our ministries become expressions of the compassion of Jesus Christ. Let our words carry the truth of His Gospel, and let our actions reveal the character of the One who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light!

For when mercy flows through the redeemed, the world is given a living witness of the Heart of the Father!

And when love governs our hearts, the character of Jesus Christ becomes visible through His people!

The glorious conclusion is this: Mercy is a power of God because it proceeds from His divine nature, accomplishes His redemptive purposes through Jesus Christ, and is manifested in the lives of His people through the Holy Spirit!

- **Love is amazing because it is not merely what God gives.**
- **Love reveals WHO GOD IS!**

And the greatest wonder of all is that the Almighty God, whose mercy endures forever and whose love surpasses human understanding, has chosen to make His dwelling within those whom He has redeemed!

We have not simply been invited to witness His love from a distance. We have been brought near to KNOW HIM, to fellowship with Him, to abide in His Presence, and to become vessels through whom His mercy and love may flow to a world desperately needing the revelation of Jesus Christ!

- **Mercy is His divine expression!**
- **Love is His eternal nature!**
- **Jesus Christ is their glorious revelation!**
- **Holy Spirit makes their transforming reality alive within us!**

To God be the glory, forever and ever. Amen!