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Mercy Me
Miracle Of Mercy - 1
Pastor Michael Rochelle
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"A new day will dawn on US because our God is loving and merciful." Luke 1:78 (GW)

MERCY: undeserved **FORGIVENESS** and unmerited **KINDNESS**

1. I DESIRE MERCY IN MY MESS

"All have sinned." Romans 3:23 (NIV)

"If we say we have not sinned we deceive ourselves ..."
1 John 1:8 (NIV)

"There is not a man upon the earth who does good and sins not." Ecclesiastes 7:20 (ESV)

"We all stumble in many ways." James 3:2 (ESV)

"One day Jesus was teaching a crowd outside the Temple, and some Pharisees brought a woman who was caught in adultery. They put her on display in front of the crowd, then said to Jesus. 'This woman has been caught in the act of adultery. The law of Moses says to stone her. So what do YOU say?' They were trying to trap Jesus into saying something they could use against him, but Jesus stooped down and started writing in the dirt with his finger. They kept badgering Jesus, demanding an answer. Finally, Jesus stood up and said, 'Here's my answer: If any one of you has never sinned, then you may throw the first stone.' Then he stooped down again and continued writing in the dirt! When the accusers heard this, they began to slip away, one by one, beginning with the oldest, until it was just Jesus and the woman. At that point, Jesus stood back up and quietly said to her, 'Where are your accusers? Is there no one left to condemn you?' 'No one, Lord,' she said. Then Jesus said, 'Neither do I condemn you! Now go on, and leave your sinful ways.'" John 8:2-11 (NLT)

Mercy means God FORGIVES me and God FREES me

"I was sent to announce freedom to all held captive and forgiveness to all who've been imprisoned." Isaiah 61:1 (NIV)

"I have come to save the world and not to judge it."
John 12:47 (LB)

"O Lord, you are so good and kind, so ready to forgive, so full of mercy for all who ask your aid." Psalm 86:5 (LB)

"Jesus understands every weakness of ours, because he was tempted in every way that we are. But he did not sin! So whenever we are in need, we should come bravely before the throne of our merciful God. There we will receive mercy and find the grace to help us in our time of need."
Hebrews 4:15-16 (CEV)

2. I DESIRE MERCY IN MY NEED

"In Jerusalem, near the Sheep Gate, was the pool of Bethesda, which was surrounded by five covered porches. A large crowd of all sorts of disabled people would lie by the pool, waiting for a miracle. There was a legend that every once in a while an angel would stir up the water, and whoever was the first to get in the water while it was still moving would get what they needed and be made whole. One poor man had been waiting by the pool for 38 years. When Jesus saw this man and heard that he'd been lying there for such a long time, he asked the man 'Do you want to get well?' 'Sir,' the man replied, 'I have no one to help me get into the pool when the water is stirred! While I'm trying to get there, somebody else always gets ahead of me!' Then Jesus simply said, 'Stand up, pick up your mat, and start walking!' When the man trusted Jesus, he was immediately able to walk again." John 5:2-9 (NIV)

Mercy means God makes POSSIBLE that which for me is impossible

"What is impossible with men is possible with God."
Luke 18:27 (NIV)

"As you get to know Jesus better, he will give you, through his great power, everything you need for living a truly good life."
2 Peter 1:3a (LB)

"The Lord God is waiting to show you how kind he is and to have mercy on you. The Lord always does what's right; and he blesses those who trust him." Isaiah 30:18 (CEV)