

# The Dividend of Mercy

*Matthew 5:7*

Mar 08, 2026

1. **The essence of being merciful**
  - Mercy is compassion - not simply feeling compassion but doing something to alleviate distress
2. **The evidence for mercy**
  - Not only is mercy compassion in action, but forgiveness flows out of mercy
3. **The expectation for the merciful**
  - Those who are truly God's children will themselves be merciful and will receive mercy in the end

**Mercy isn't a natural attribute of man - it is a gift that comes through divine grace and power with the new birth**