

"Blessed are the merciful" *Our Attitude Toward Compassion* Matthew 5:7

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Introduction:

- Requirements
- Micah 6:6-7
- Micah 6:8
- Matthew 5:7

The Meaning of the Beatitude

- Merciful is "compassion in ______ toward people in need."
- Who is my neighbor?
 - Luke 10:36-37
 - "Go and do the same."

The Opposing View of the Beatitude

- Where mercy is lacking
- John 13:34-35
- Jesus' answer to the opposing view, Luke 6:27-28
 - 1. Love those who _____ you, v. 27a
 - 2. Do good to those who _____ you, v. 27b
 - 3. Bless those who _____ you, v. 28a
 - 4. Pray for those who _____ you, v. 28b

The Promise of the Beatitude

- Mercy comes!
- Matthew 6:14

The What's Next of the Beatitude

- 1. Be _____ in Showing Mercy
 - James 2:15-16
- 2. Look for ______ to Show Mercy

Conclusion:

- Pleading for mercy
- Freely giving mercy
- The Lord's Table