

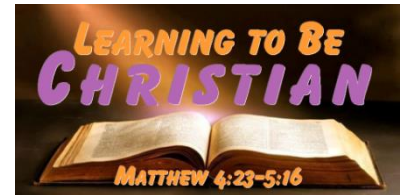


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Sunday, November 12, 2017
Pastor Grant Hignight

Being Merciful Matthew 5:7



1. Defining merciful
 - 1) God's definition, not ours
 - 2) Covenant love based on one's character and nature, i.e. God's covenant with His people
 - 3) Covenant love given out of one's character and nature, i.e. Jesus' love for us
 - 4) Covenant love demonstrated, i.e. loving as Christ as loved us
2. Being merciful
 - 1) Keeping covenant with God (none of us do)
 - 2) Living covenant out of our new nature in Christ
 - i. Poor in spirit
 - ii. Mourning
 - iii. Meek
 - iv. Hungering and thirsting for righteousness
3. Who needs mercy
 - 1) God offers mercy now
 - i. Have you been born again
 - ii. Are you seeking first His kingdom and His righteousness
 - iii. Are you keeping covenant with God on His terms
 - 2) Receive mercy now



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