

Gifts of Grace

Week 2: Great Mercies and Living Sacrifices

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Romans 12:1

1. Mercy is our motivation

Acts 9:1-2, 1 Timothy 1:13a, 1 Timothy 1:13a, 15-16 Titus 3:3-5a

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God

Mercy should be the lens with which we evaluate our entire life

Mercy is the why behind all we do as believers

2. Sacrificial living is our response

Romans 12:1, Genesis 22:7-9, Isaiah 53:4-7, 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

As living sacrifices

Parasitic growth: Sing to me. Preach to me. Counsel me. Help me, but expect nothing from me- Only one person is benefiting and growing

Symbiotic growth: How can my voice bless someone else? How can I help counsel someone else? How can I help?

Growth that occurs when two organisms benefit and grow together.

3. Worship is the result

Romans 12:1, 2 Corinthians 2:14-15a (NLT)

A person that is grateful for the undeserved mercy of the Gospel is a person that will live a life of sacrificial service for the glory of God.....And that life will be like a sweet smelling sacrifice of worship to the Lord