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**GIFT OF MERCY**

*Therefore I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect. For through the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think; but to think so as to have sound judgment, as God has allotted to each a measure of faith. For just as we have many parts in one body and all the body's parts do not have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually parts of one another. However, since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, each of us is to use them properly: if prophecy, in proportion to one's faith; if service, in the act of serving; or the one who teaches, in the act of teaching; or the one who exhorts, in the work of exhortation; the one who gives, with generosity; the one who is in leadership, with diligence; the one who shows mercy, with cheerfulness*

Romans 12:1-8  
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PRACTICE

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ATTITUDE

**Mercy is defined as the:**

- 1. compassion or forbearance shown especially to an offender or to one subject to one's power**
- 2. a blessing that is an act of divine favor or compassion**

Mercy is the act of withholding deserved punishment, while grace is the act of endowing unmerited favor.

In His mercy, God does not give us the punishment we deserve, namely hell; while in His grace, God gives us the gifts we do not deserve, namely heaven.

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Lamentations 3:22-23

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For I desire mercy, not sacrifice, and  
acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings

Hosea 6:6

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If a brother or sister is without clothing and in need of daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and be filled," yet you do not give them what is necessary for their body, what use is that?

James 2:15-16

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“Practice makes Perfect”

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“Practice makes ~~Perfect~~ Permanent”

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What is the outcome then? I will pray with the spirit,  
but I will pray with the mind also; I will sing with the  
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1 Corinthians 14:15

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Prophecy

Service

Teaching

Exhortation

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