THE (BE)ATTITUDES
"The (BE)Attitude of Mercy"
Matthew 5:7
July 3, 2022

Our Attitude: Mercy

1) The meaning of mercy
2) The <u>measure</u> of mercy
    Ephesians 2:4-7; Hebrews 2:14
3) The <u>method</u> & manner of mercy
    Luke 10:30-37; Matthew 24:31-45; James 1:27; 2:15-16;
    I John 3:17, Matthew 9:9-13

Our Assurance & Hope: They will receive mercy

2 Samuel 22:26 (ESV); Jude 1:21; Matthew 18:21-35; James 2:13

Our Application: The markers of mercy

1) We <u>marvel</u> & rejoice at the mercy we've been shown

2) We are constantly aware of our <u>daily</u> <u>need</u> for mercy

    Luke 18:10-14

3) We regularly look for ways to <u>practice</u> mercy with others and do it!

Some Specific ways to show mercy

1) Sign up & serve in our Annual Health/Resource Fair Monday, July 18 at *www.firstbridgepetal.org* .

2) Volunteer to serve during the year with First Bridge with uniforms and weekend food backpacks.

3) Be a part of volunteering & giving to ministries like Hope Clinic.

4) Consider how you might could help in foster care, adoption and ministries like Lifeline Christian Services.

5) Consider leading or helping us as a church family find ways we can demonstrate the love of Christ to hurting and broken people in our community.

Response Questions:

1. Why does the world neither then nor now value mercy? Why is it such an important attitude & characteristic of a Christ Follower?

2. Why do you think many times believers are often not willing to demonstrate mercy? Why must this change?

3. Where would you find yourself in the story of the Good Samaritan or the ministering to the least of these? What transformation needs to take place in you so you can show mercy in the way the Good Samaritan did?

4. How have you experienced the mercy of the Lord in your life? How can you help others experience this mercy?

5. Name one way you can show mercy to someone this week/month. Share that with someone you who will hold you accountable.