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Scripture:

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Introduction

Our view of God's attitude toward us is often twisted and distorted by our understanding of Who He is and what He is like.

I. The view of law

<u>Hebrews 10:28 (NKJV)</u> Anyone who has rejected Moses' law dies *without mercy* on the testimony of two or three witnesses.

- A. You should have known better
- B. You have to pay for your sin
- C. There must be justice

II. The view of grace

<u>Hebrews 4:16 (NKJV)</u> Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

<u>Luke 1:50 (NKJV)</u> And His mercy is on those who fear Him From generation to generation.

<u>1 Peter 2:10 (NKJV</u>) who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

A. I will teach you a better way

Jeremiah 31:33 (NKJV) "But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.

B. I have paid for their wrong <u>1 John 2:2 (NKJV)</u> And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.

B. I want to have mercy

Isaiah 54:8 (NKJV) With a little wrath I hid My face from you for a moment; **But with everlasting kindness I will have mercy on you,"** Says the LORD, your Redeemer.

Romans 9:15 (NKJV) For He says to Moses, "I will have mercy on whomever I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whomever I will have compassion."

III. Obtaining mercy through God's grace

<u>James 2:13 (NKJV)</u> For judgment is without mercy to the one who has shown no mercy. *Mercy triumphs over judgment*.

James 5:19-20 (NKJV) Brethren, if anyone among you wanders from the truth, and someone turns him back, 20 let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins.

<u>1 Peter 4:8 (NKJV)</u> And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins."

- A. Come to the throne of grace
- B. Walk in mercy toward others *Matthew 5:7 (NKJV)* Blessed are

the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy.