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Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 164

Did you know that God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you? God proves His love to you by **His merciful love**. **Heb. 4:16**, "Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive <u>mercy</u> and find grace to help us in our time of need."

The Greek word for *mercy* is *eleos* which means *pity*, *compassion and forgiving mercy*. God has such a heart full of love for you that He gives to us out of His amazing mercy and grace. Even though God knows we fail Him and even choose to do things that we know are wrong, He still loves us so much that He is willing to give us compassion and leniency so that we can know we can always come to Him; even with our shortcomings.

I love how 1 John 1:9 puts it: "If we will confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us of all unrighteousness." Now that is mercy if I've ever heard it. David made mention of this in Psalm 103:8-12, "The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse nor will He harbor His anger forever; He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His love for those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us."

Dear Father, thank You that You are such a merciful God. You see us through the blood of Jesus because the "sins" we have committed have been paid for in full. You see us as clean and whole. Thank You Lord. In Jesus Name, Amen