SHOWING MERCY

Scripture Reading: Micah 6:6-8  11/18/2018

Introduction:
1. We are to love mercy -Mic 6:8
2. When we realize the great mercy shown to us, it should give us great pleasure to show others mercy.

Proposition:  We must show mercy to others to be pleasing unto God.
Interrogative: What are some ways we show mercy?
Transition: We will consider 3 ways we show mercy...

I. HELPING THE HELPLESS
   A. THE GOOD SAMARITAN -Lk 10:25-37
      1. Summarize the background
      2. Read -vs. 33-37

   B. CHRISTIANS TODAY
      1. We are to do good to all -Ga 6:10
      2. We are to help others as unto Christ -Mt 25:40

II. FORGIVENESS
   A. JESUS FORGAVE OTHERS
      1. The adulterous -Jn 8:1-12
      2. The paralytic -Mk 2:1-12
      3. Peter -Jn 21:15-19
      4. During crucifixion -Lk 23:34

   B. WE MUST FORGIVE OTHERS
      1. To be forgiven -Mt 6:14, 15; 18:21
      2. Because we have been forgiven -Ep 4:32
      3. So, others can see Jesus living in us -Ga 2:20

III. ENCOURAGEMENT -cf. (Mt 25:31-ff)
   A. BARNABAS
      1. He contributed to the poor -Ac 4:36, 37
      2. He saw the good in others -Ac 9:26-30

   B. TEACHINGS OF JESUS
      1. Encourage others by visitation -Mt 25:36, 44
      2. Jesus encouraged others
         a. He had compassion upon them -Mt 9:36
         b. Multitudes desired His presence -Mk 6:33,34
         c. His closest disciples desired His presence -Jn 16:16-18

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d. He prayed for Peter -Lk 22:31, 32

Conclusion:
1. There are a variety of ways we can and should show mercy unto others.
2. When we show mercy, we also show Jesus living in us.