

2) Because As We Better Comprehend & Appreciate God's Great Mercy (Shown To Us In Christ) - We Can't Help But Share It!

It's amazing to consider the height, width and length of His mercy. "Streams of mercy" - still flow."

Maybe you've never 'tasted and seen, that the Lord is good'. Or maybe you've wandered like the Prodigal Son. Do you desire to repent and return?

He is a God of mercy - to those who come to Christ.



How should knowing God's wrathfulness and mercy cause me to want to make Him known?

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Introduction: God's wrath & mercy seem to be contradictory - but they aren't.

ROMANS 1:18-19

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, because that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them. NASB®

EPHESIANS 5:3-6

But immorality or any impurity or greed must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints; and there must be no filthiness and silly talk, or coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks. For this you know with certainty, that no immoral or impure person or covetous man, who is an idolater, has an inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of



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these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience.
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ROMANS 2:4-6

Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance? But because of your stubbornness and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for yourself in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, who will render to each person according to his deeds: NASB®

JOHN 3:36

He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.” NASB®

To choose not to receive God's means of salvation will justly and fully yield His eternal wrath.

It is because God is love (and just!), that He must punish unrighteousness, wickedness and every other form of sin.

This would include morality that is sometimes cloaked in religion. If you are trusting in morality and/or religious observances to make you right with God - then you are in great danger.

1) Because People Are In Great Peril Apart From Christ

We bear the burden of praying for them and loving them enough to warn them.

"A church without evangelism is a contradiction in terms - just as a fire that does not burn, is a contradiction."

Understanding God's wrath helps us to better understand His great mercy - found only in the cross of Christ.

TITUS 3:5-7

He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.
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EPHESIANS 2:4-7

But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. NASB®

HEBREWS 4:16

Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. At times, even as Christians, we feel like we're not worthy of God's mercy. NASB®

We don't earn God's mercy - it is because of Christ that God offers us to "receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need".
