

What the Bible says about Mercy

**Racham – means "to love," "to have compassion," or "to show mercy."  
Strong's 7356 mercy compassion womb bowels tender love**

- 1) A God Abundant in mercy - Psalm 51:1
- 2) His mercy is extended to all that he has made - Psalm 145:9
- 3) His mercies are new every morning - Lamentations 3:22-23

Exodus 2:1-10 Moses saved from death as an infant

Esther & Shadrach Messach and Abendego

**Chesed – means "goodness," "kindness," "mercifulness," or "loving-kindness."  
Strong's 2617 139x mercy kindness loving kindness**

- 1) A pity to forgive sin - Exodus 34:6-7 Repeated in Numbers 14:18-19 and Deuteronomy 7:9
- 2) Eternal Merciful God - Psalm 23:6
- 3) It is what LORD requires of us Micah 6:8
- 4) We are to forgive as we are forgiven - Micah 7:18

I Samuel 24:1-20 What separates Saul from David  
Even though he was wrong and not deserving

This is God sparing Lot from Sodom

**Kapporeth – means "ransom," "propitiatory," or "the mercy seat."  
Strong's 3722 mercy seat- place of atonement**

The Mercy Seat was the lid or cover of solid gold on the ark.

- 1) It is where he reigns - Ps 99:1
- 2) Where God meets the people - Exod 25:17-22
- 3) Where he speaks to the people – Numbers 7:89
- 4) Where he dwells between the cherubim – I Samuel 4:4 (Judgement)
- 5) The Mercy Seat was where the blood was sprinkled. – Leviticus 16:1 & 15-16  
(Atonement)

In the New Testament this Mercy Seat or atonement, covering, is spoken of.

- 1) New Testament Greek Propitiation = Mercy Seat Romans 3:25
- 2) The Atonement is finished! Eph 2:13

It is the same root as the word as atonement or to cover, cancel, appease, or cleanse.

- 3) Jesus Christ is the mercy seat! - 1 Jn 2:2

The Greek word for Mercy Seat is 'hilasterion'.

**"Mercy is kindness exercised toward the miserable, and includes pity, compassion, forbearance, and gentleness, which the Scriptures so abundantly ascribe to God." – Charles Hodge**

*Eleemon* – means "to show mercy," "to pity," "to have compassion," or "to be merciful."  
Greek 1655

*Oiktirmos* – carries the concept of "compassion" or "pity."

### **Example - The Lame Man healed Acts 3:1-11**

- 1) He saved us according to his mercy - Titus 3:5-6
- 2) Mercy causes us to be born again - I Peter 1:3
- 3) God desires mercy and not sacrifice - Matthew 9:13

### **Example of Pity Mephibosheth - II Samuel 9**

- 1) Mercy triumphs over judgement - James 2:13
- 2) Be Merciful and careful when you judge - Luke 6:37

### **Best Example of Mercy Christ**

#### **Jesus heals Blind Bartimaeus Mark 10:46-52**

- 1) Be Merciful as God - Luke 6:36
- 2) Mercy in the time of need - Hebrews 4:16
- 3) God shows mercy to the merciful- II Samuel 22:26
- 4) God chooses how to display his mercy - Romans 9:15