

mercy

God's Great Love, Mercy, and Grace Toward Us

Eph 2:4-5

But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions-it is by grace you have been saved.

NIV

Love - NT:26 *agapee, agapees, hee,*

it denotes:

affection, good-will, love, benevolence: John 15:13; Rom 13:10; 1 John 4:18.

- a. Used of the love of men to men;*
- b. Used of the love of men toward God:*
- c. Used of the love of God toward men:*
- d. Used of the love of God toward Christ:*
- e. Used of the love of Christ toward men:*

Mercy - NT:1656 *eleos, eleou, ho,*

kindness or good will toward the miserable and afflicted, joined with a desire to relieve them

- 1. used of men toward men: Matt 9:13*
 - 2. used of God toward men*
 - a. universally: Luke 1:50*
 - b. especially the mercy and clemency of God in providing and offering to men salvation by Christ: Luke 1:54*
- 3. the mercy of Christ, whereby at his return to judgment he will bless true Christians with eternal life: Jude 21*

Grace - NT:5485 *charis, charitos,*

good-will, loving-kindness, favor: Luke 2:52

- a. the spiritual condition of one governed by the power of divine grace,*
- b. a token or proof of grace, 2 Cor 1:15*

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