

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSON:

I Timothy
1:12-14

SERMON SERIES:

GOD'S MERCY, GRACE & FAVOR

#1: Sun., 04-24-16 => Similarities;

#2: Sun., 05-01-16 => Differences;

#3: Sun., 05-08-16 => Favor;

TITLE:

"Grace, Mercy,
and Favor:
What's The
Difference?"

"Let us therefore
come boldly unto the
throne of grace, that we
may obtain *mercy*,
and find *grace* to help
in time of need."

Hebrews 4:16

SUBJECT:

Kindness,
Forgiveness,
And Favorites

WORKING DEFINITION:

MERCY

forbearance or Kindness;
kindness shown at a time when a
severe penalty is expected;
not getting what you deserved;

WORKING DEFINITION:

GRACE

broader, more extensive concept beyond mercy; based on Greek word 'charis' which means gift;

Getting something you did NOT deserve!

"And the **grace** of our LORD was exceeding abundant with faith and love which is in CHRIST JESUS."

I Timothy 1:14

WORKING DEFINITION:

FAVOR

extraordinary dispensation of GOD's blessings, or GOD's unmerited kindness;

SERMONIC POINTS:

#1: PAST

#2: PRESENT

#3: FUTURE

"Who was before a blasphemer, and a persecutor, and injurious: but I obtained **mercy**, because I did it ignorantly in unbelief."

I Timothy 1:13

SERMONIC POINT #1:

PAST

"Who was before a blasphemer, and a persecutor, and injurious: but I obtained *mercy*, because I did it ignorantly in unbelief."

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SERMONIC POINT #3:

FUTURE

SERMONIC POINT #2:

PRESENT

"And I thank CHRIST JESUS our LORD who has enabled me, because HE counted me faithful, urging (putting) me into ministry,"

I Timothy 1:12

"And the *grace* of our LORD was exceeding abundant with faith and love which is in CHRIST JESUS."

I Timothy 1:14

CONCLUSION:

What is 'your' past, from which GOD has delivered / rescued you?

How have you been the recipient of GOD's grace & mercy?

How have you extended grace & mercy to others...lately?