Pastor’s Notes

Asking for forgiveness and forgiving is only for the brave, for hearts that love and seek peace.

What is forgiveness and mercy? Mercy is forgiving our neighbor. Mercy is knowing how to forgive, although sometimes the heart hurts. Mercy is forgetting yourself and caring for others.

The merciful man cares about the happiness of his brother and not only cares if his brother fulfills all his obligations. Do not wonder if you have been hurt or not. Ask yourself if your brother’s happiness is important to you.

How sad if you only care about what they do for you and not what you can give! How sad if you only look for your brother to ask for something, or to solve your problems or to reproach him, that he left you alone!

The merciful heart seeks his brother to help him be happy, to help him achieve his salvation. Mercy is not your judgment on your brother, you are not your brother’s judge.

When it's hard for you to forgive, ask God for more love. Why? Because you need to love more to forgive.

Lent is a time for forgiveness. Let your heart beat, give your heart life. Do not deny your heart what it needs. Your heart needs to be forgiven and forgive.

If you have made a mistake, seek divine mercy, learn to forgive yourself and if you have offended someone, ask for their forgiveness. If Christ forgives you, who are you not to forgive yourself? If Christ forgives your brother, who are you not to forgive him?

The true fruits of mercy are much bigger than just being out of debt. The person who has experienced divine mercy acquires a merciful heart and with it, a great peace of soul.

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