

James 2:13~ For the one that does not practice mercy will have his judgment without mercy. Mercy exults triumphantly over¹ judgment.

Footnote: Or, as superior to

1· James now shows that not measuring up to all the requirements of the principles of the Law Covenant would cause them to become an offender against them all. Did not Yehowah God exercise mercy to his people who were offenders against him under the Law Covenant.

[Question] What would not measuring up to any of the commandments of the Law Covenant make them toward all the commandments?

2· Is not mercy thus exulting over judgment, and should not anointed Christians who have been freed from the shackles of the Law Covenant, appreciate mercy, as it was expressed to them by Yehowah God, and thus show it to others, like poor and badly dressed ones among them.

[Question] How then, does mercy exult over judgment for anointed Christians?

[Question] What then, should anointed Christians extend to the lowly ones among them, in imitation of their merciful God?

3· As for anyone stopping up his ear from the complaining cry of the lowly one, he himself also will call and not be answered. (Proverbs 21:13)

[Question] What will happen to anyone who stops up his ear to the complaining cry of the lowly one in need?

4· Woe to the wicked one! Calamity! For the treatment rendered by his own hands will be rendered to him! (Isaiah 3:11)

[Question] What will be rendered back to the wicked one, and why?

5· Happy are the merciful, since they will be shown mercy. (Matthew 5:7)

[Question] Why are those displaying mercy to be happy ones?

6· Whereas if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. (Matthew 6:15)

[Question] Will men who cannot come to forgive others, ever be forgiven themselves?

- 7· **Continue becoming merciful, just as your Father is merciful. (Luke 6:36)**

[Question] Who should we imitate in expressing mercy to others?

[Question] How had Yehowah God shown mercy in the case of anointed Christians?

- 8· **And this is the manner of the release. There **will** be a releasing by every creditor of the debt that he may let his fellow incur. He should not press his fellow or his brother for payment, because a release to Yehowah must be called. (Deuteronomy 15:2)**

[Question] How did Yehowah God bring about a financial release for all his people on the Jubilee?

- 9· **At this Saul said; Thus may God do and thus may he add to it, if you do not positively die, Jonathan. (1 Samuel 14:44)**

[Question] How did Saul fail to express mercy, and how did the people overrule him in this?

- 10· **Also, continue showing **mercy** to some that **have** doubts. (Jude 1:22)**

[Question] What should anointed Christians show toward some men who show doubt in their faith?

- 11· **May he come to **have** no one extending loving-kindness, and may there prove to be no one showing favor to his fatherless boys. (Psalms 109:12)**

[Question] What does the Psalmist say should come upon the man who is an usurer, lending money on interest to those who are in need?

- 12· **For the reason that he did not remember to exercise loving-kindness, but he kept pursuing the afflicted and poor man and the one dejected at heart, to put him to death. (Psalms 109:16)**

[Question] Why will such a one not be shown mercy?

- 13· **He that is showing favor to the lowly one is lending to Yehowah, and his treatment He **will** repay to him.**

(Proverbs 19:17)

[Question] Who is the one showing favor to the lowly one lending to in practice, and who will repay him for his kindness?

- 14· The very soul of the wicked one has craved what is bad, his fellow **will** be shown no favor in his eyes. **(Proverbs 21:10)**

[Question] What does the soul of the wicked ones crave, and so how does he act towards his fellowman?

- 15· The one striking peoples in fury with a stroke incessantly, the one subduing nations in sheer anger with a persecution **without** restraint. **(Isaiah 14:6)**

[Question] How do beastlike and unmerciful rulers act towards their own people?

- 16· Therefore this is what Yehowah has said, you yourselves **have** not obeyed me in keeping on proclaiming liberty each one to his brother and each one to his companion. Here I am proclaiming to you a liberty, is the utterance of Yehowah, to the sword, to the pestilence and to the famine, and I shall certainly give you for a quaking to all the kingdoms of the earth. **(Jeremiah 34:17)**

[Question] How did Yehowah God feel when his ruling ones acted unmercifully toward their own brothers in ancient Israel?

- 17· May all their badness come before you, and deal severely with them, just as you **have** dealt severely with me on account of all my transgressions. For my sighs are many, and my heart is ill. **(Lamentations 1:22)**

[Question] How did Jeremiah come to feel about the wicked ones around him, and what did he ask Yehowah God for?

- 18· The king himself **will** go into mourning, even a chieftain **will** clothe himself with desolation, and the very hands of the people of the land **will** get disturbed. According to their way I shall act toward them, and with their **judgments** I shall judge them, and they **will have** to know that I am Yehowah. **(Ezekiel 7:27)**

[Question] How did Yehowah God promise to judge his people, and according to what criteria?

- 19· For the day of Yehowah against all the nations is near. In the way that you **have** done, it **will** be done to you. Your sort of treatment **will** return upon your own head. (**Obadiah 1:15**)

[Question] How does Yehowah God promise to judge all the nations of the earth?

- 20· Therefore this is what Yehowah has said; Here I am thinking up against this family a calamity from which you people **will** not remove your necks, so that you **will** not walk haughtily, because it is a time of calamity. (**Micah 2:3**)

[Question] What did Yehowah God promise to bring upon his own people who were acting haughtily?

- 21· This is what Yehowah of armies has said; With true justice do your judging, and carry on with one another loving-kindness and mercies. (**Zechariah 7:9**)

[Question] How did Yehowah God tell his people to judge one another?

- 22· For with what **judgment** you are judging, you **will** be judged. With the measure that you are measuring out, they **will** measure out to you. (**Matthew 7:2**)

[Question] How did Jesus Christ say that all men will be judged, and measured by God?

- 23· Ought you not, in turn, to **have** had **mercy** on your fellow slave, as I also had **mercy** on you? (**Matthew 18:33**)

[Question] How did the master in Jesus' parable feel about the slave to whom he showed mercy, but who did not extend their out to his fellow slave?

- 24· Without understanding, false to agreements, having no natural affection, merciless. (**Romans 1:31**)

[Question] What would be one of the signs of the Last Days among men?