

What Do You Want From Me, Lord?

Merciful Redeemer and Lord

(Study Guide taken from the message on Sunday – August 14, 2016)

“Act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with your God.”

Micah 6:8 NLT



As the statue, Christ the Redeemer, stands above the city of Rio de Janeiro (the site of the 2016 Summer Olympics) so does the image of Christ stand above our own lives as we serve in His name, within His mission. We rest in the “shadow of the Almighty”, living in the image of His presence.

“But as for me, I know that my redeemer lives, and He will stand upon the earth at last!” –

Job 19:25.

The Britannica Encyclopedia defines *redeemer* as – “One who frees or delivers another from difficulty, danger, or bondage; usually by the payment of a ransom price.”

1. How would you explain what sin is and who we have sinned against?
2. What is our penalty for sinning (**Romans 6:23**)?
3. How can we escape this penalty? What is our only option (Refer to **1 Tim. 2:5-6; Psalm 49:7**)?
4. In what ways made Jesus the only hope for us (**Heb. 2:14-18**)?
5. What about His mercy redeems us in this lifetime (**Luke 4:18-19**)?

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6. Paul shares some insight about God's approach to influence a broken world through Christ Jesus in **1 Corinthians 1:26-31**. How would you describe God's approach?

7. If we are to live as the image of Christ Jesus to the world, what are some ways we might mercifully influence a broken world as described in above?

8. According to **2 Corinthians 12:9** we have a new way to deal with difficulties in our lives. This attitude encourages us to do what?

Attitude seems to be at the center of surrender. Read these two passages and list how a change of attitude will give us a great sense of mercy toward others.

9. **Romans 12:1-3**

10. **Philippians 2:3-8**