

SPRING TERM 2024 – WEEK 6

**BUILDING A COMMUNITY
THAT PRIORITISES PRAYER**

FORGIVE US OUR SINS
AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO
SIN AGAINST US

JUSTICE
MERCY
GRACE

JUSTICE

JUSTICE

GETTING WHAT YOU DESERVE

MERCY

MERCY

NOT GETTING WHAT YOU
DESERVE

GRACE

GRACE

GETTING WHAT YOU COULD
NEVER DESERVE

JAMES 2:13

MERCY TRIUMPHS OVER
JUDGEMENT

REALITY CHECK ONE
— WE HARBOUR GRIEVANCES

REALITY CHECK TWO
— WE JUDGE ONE ANOTHER
WRONGLY

'DO NOT JUDGE, OR YOU TOO WILL BE JUDGED. ²FOR IN THE SAME WAY AS YOU JUDGE OTHERS, YOU WILL BE JUDGED, AND WITH THE MEASURE YOU USE, IT WILL BE MEASURED TO YOU. ³ 'WHY DO YOU LOOK AT THE SPECK OF SAWDUST IN YOUR BROTHER'S EYE AND PAY NO ATTENTION TO THE PLANK IN YOUR OWN EYE? ⁴ HOW CAN YOU SAY TO YOUR BROTHER, "LET ME TAKE THE SPECK OUT OF YOUR EYE," WHEN ALL THE TIME THERE IS A PLANK IN YOUR OWN EYE? ⁵ YOU HYPOCRITE, FIRST TAKE THE PLANK OUT OF YOUR OWN EYE, AND THEN YOU WILL SEE CLEARLY TO REMOVE THE SPECK FROM YOUR BROTHER'S EYE. *MATTHEW 7:1-5*

JUSTICE ... OR ... MERCY

JAMES 2:12-13

SPEAK AND ACT AS THOSE WHO ARE GOING TO BE JUDGED BY THE LAW OF FREEDOM, BECAUSE JUDGEMENT WITHOUT MERCY WILL BE SHOWN TO ANYONE WHO HAS NOT BEEN MERCIFUL. MERCY TRIUMPHS OVER JUDGEMENT

MATTHEW 6

¹⁴ FOR IF YOU FORGIVE OTHER PEOPLE WHEN THEY SIN AGAINST YOU, YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER WILL ALSO FORGIVE YOU. ¹⁵ BUT IF YOU DO NOT FORGIVE OTHERS THEIR SINS, YOUR FATHER WILL NOT FORGIVE YOUR SINS.

COLOSSIANS 3:13

BEAR WITH EACH OTHER AND FORGIVE
ONE ANOTHER IF ANY OF YOU HAS A
GRIEVANCE AGAINST SOMEONE.
FORGIVE AS THE LORD FORGAVE YOU.

EPHESIANS 4:32

BE KIND AND COMPASSIONATE TO ONE
ANOTHER, FORGIVING EACH OTHER,
JUST AS IN CHRIST GOD FORGAVE YOU.

JAMES 5:16

THEREFORE CONFESS YOUR SINS TO
EACH OTHER AND PRAY FOR EACH
OTHER SO THAT YOU MAY BE HEALED.

*⁷ IN [JESUS] WE HAVE REDEMPTION
THROUGH HIS BLOOD, THE FORGIVENESS OF
SINS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RICHES OF
GOD'S GRACE ⁸ THAT HE LAVISHED ON
US. EPHESIANS 1*

*IF WE CONFESS OUR SINS, [GOD] IS
FAITHFUL AND JUST AND WILL FORGIVE US
OUR SINS AND PURIFY US FROM ALL
UNRIGHTEOUSNESS. 1 JOHN 1:9*

MATTHEW 5:43-45A

43 'YOU HAVE HEARD THAT IT WAS SAID,
"LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR AND HATE YOUR
ENEMY." **44** BUT I TELL YOU, LOVE YOUR
ENEMIES AND PRAY FOR THOSE WHO
PERSECUTE YOU, **45** THAT YOU MAY BE
CHILDREN OF YOUR FATHER IN HEAVEN.

**MOST MERCIFUL GOD,
FATHER OF OUR LORD JESUS
CHRIST,**

**WE CONFESS THAT WE HAVE
SINNED IN THOUGHT, WORD AND
DEED.**

**WE HAVE NOT LOVED YOU WITH
OUR WHOLE HEART.**

**WE HAVE NOT LOVED OUR
NEIGHBOURS AS OURSELVES.**

**IN YOUR MERCY
FORGIVE WHAT WE HAVE BEEN,**

**HELP US TO AMEND WHAT WE
ARE,**

AND DIRECT WHAT WE SHALL BE;

THAT WE MAY DO JUSTLY,

LOVE MERCY,

**AND WALK HUMBLY WITH YOU,
OUR GOD.**

AMEN.