

Rediscover Jesus, 33: “The Mercy of Jesus”

Luke 9:51-56

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***Receive the mercy Jesus offers
and be merciful like him toward others.***

I. Jesus resolved to die for undeserving sinners (v.51)

Luke 9:51 (ESV)

⁵¹When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem.

- In his mercy, Jesus resolved to go to Jerusalem to die for our sake according to God’s sovereign plan of redemption.

**II. Jesus reached out to those who were avoided by others
(vv.52-53)**

Luke 9:52-53 (ESV)

⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him. ⁵³But the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem.

- In his mercy, Jesus reached out to Samaritans who were hated and shown no mercy by any other Jew.

III. Jesus rebuked his disciples for not being merciful (vv.54-56)

Luke 9:54-56 (ESV)

⁵⁴ And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵ But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶ And they went on to another village.

- In his mercy, Jesus rebuked his disciples who called for immediate judgment for he delayed judgment until his second coming.

Life Application:

- 1) Reflect on the mercy of Jesus to die for undeserving sinners.
- 2) Repent of the ways I have not been merciful toward others in my life even after receiving mercy from God. Repent to receive mercy again.
- 3) Rejoice in God's abundant mercies that are new every morning.