New Every Morning

Titus 3:4-5 But when the kindness of God our Savior and *His* love for mankind appeared, He saved us...

Titus 2:11-14 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, 12 instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age, 13 looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus, 14 who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds.

Titus 3:4-7 But when the kindness of God our Savior and *His* love for mankind appeared, 5 He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, 6 whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, 7 so that being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to *the* hope of eternal life.

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Romans 3:23 "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Romans 3:10 "There is none righteous, not even one."

2. God offers salvation in response to His _____

Titus 3:4 But when the kindness of God our Savior and *His* love for mankind appeared.

- Do you think of God as kind?
- Maybe one reason we don't think about the kindness of God is because we don't realize the gravity of our sin.
- Ezekiel 18:20 "The person who sins will die."
- God is so kind and God loves you.
- Regardless of what others have said about our great God, He loves you with an everlasting love that can't be quenched and can't be diminished.
- We should start each day by looking into the mirror and saying, "God loves you." Romans 2:4 Do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance?

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- Mercy speaks of God's pity, compassion, and kindness toward people.
- Millard Erikson: "God's mercy is His tenderhearted, loving compassion for His people. It is His tenderness of heart toward the needy. If grace contemplates humans as sinful, guilty, and condemned, mercy sees them as miserable and needy."

- Regeneration comes from a compound word that means
- John 3:3 Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God."
- 2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore if anyone is in Christ, *he is* a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

A.W. Tozier: When through the blood of the everlasting covenant we children of the shadows reach at last our home in the light, we shall have a thousand strings to our harps, but the sweetest may well be the one tuned to sound forth most perfectly the mercy of God.