

**1. The abundant mercy of the LORD**

- a) Psalm 57:9-11 How does the Psalmist David describe the mercy of the LORD?
- b) What theme is repeated in Psalm 136? 1-4, 5-9, 10-22, 23-26
- c) This unnamed psalmist lists many examples of the mercy of God. What examples can you give of the mercy of the LORD in your life and family history?

**2. Resting in the mercy of God**

- a) What moral failure in the Psalmist David's life showed him his great need to rest in the mercy of God? 2 Samuel 11:1-17
- b) How did the LORD confront David with his need for repentance and mercy? 2 Samuel 12:1-9
- c) How did the David respond to this message from the LORD through the prophet Nathan? Psalm 51:1-4,5-9,10-13,14-19
- d) How does the inspired message of this psalm impact your life today?
- e) Both Judas and Simon Peter betrayed Jesus. One hanged himself (Matthew 27:3-5) and the other wept bitterly (Matthew 26:75b). Why were their responses so different?

**3. Blotting out our transgressions**

- a) How would you feel today if all your transgressions were listed on the wall for all to see?
- b) What inspired testimony does the unnamed psalmist give in Psalm 130:3

- c) What appeal does the Psalmist David make to the LORD in Psalm 51:1?
- d) Why is it important for our sins to be blotted out? Romans 6:23a
- e) What encouraging message for repentant sinners did the apostle John share with all who would listen? 1 John 1:9
- f) How can a just and righteous God blot out our transgressions when the wages of sin is death? John 3:16, Romans 5:6-11, Ephesians 2:4-8, Hebrews 4:16
- g) What precious promise does the Risen Christ give in Revelation 3:5?

**4. Rejoicing in the mercy of God**

- a) Psalm 103:1-8, 92:1-2
- b) 1 Timothy 1:15-17
- c) What are some great hymns and contemporary Christian songs that have helped you to express your joy and appreciation for the mercy of God?
- d) What are some other ways besides singing that we can express our gratitude and joy for the mercy of God?

