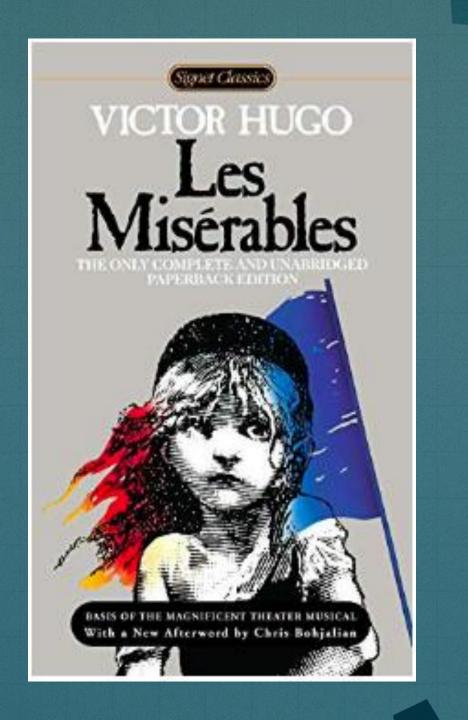
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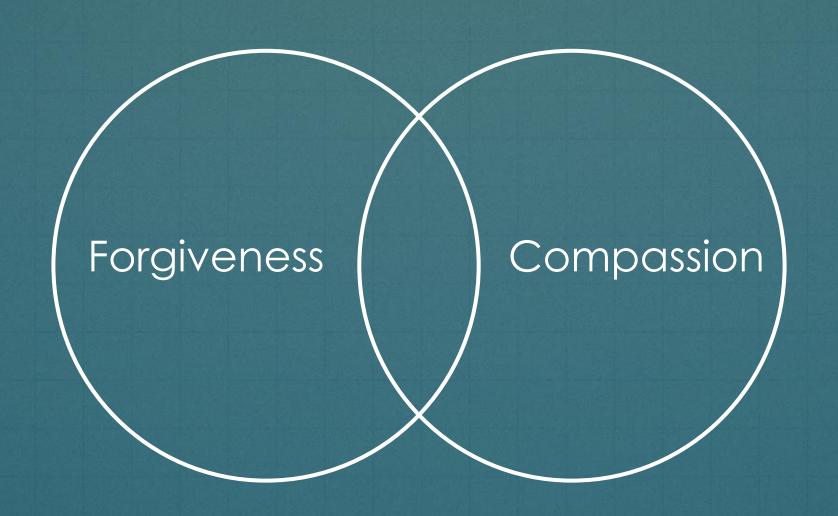
HOW GOD CALLS US TO BREAK THE MOLD





"Forget not, never forget that you have promised me to use this silver to become an honest man. ...Jean Valjean, my brother: you belong no longer to evil, but to good. It is your soul that I am buying for you. I withdraw it from dark thoughts and from the spirit of perdition, and I give it to God!"

#### **EXPRESSIONS OF MERCY**



## **Unordinary**

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## Ordinary

Woe to the merciful, for they will be taken advantage of. (Dallas Willard)

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"...forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven those who sin against us."

"If you forgive those who sin against you, your heavenly Father will forgive you. But if you refuse to forgive others, your Father will not forgive your sins."

Matthew 6:11, 14-15

NLT

"If another believer sins against you, go privately and point out the offense. If the other person listens and confesses it, you have won that person back."

Then Peter came to him and asked, "Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me? Seven times?"

"No, not seven times," Jesus replied, "but seventy times seven!"

Matthew 18:21-22

"Therefore, the Kingdom of Heaven can be compared to a king who decided to bring his accounts up to date with servants who had borrowed money from him. In the process, one of his debtors was brought in who owed him millions of dollars."

Matthew 18:23-24

NLT

"He couldn't pay, so his master ordered that he be sold—along with his wife, his children, and everything he owned—to pay the debt."

"But the man fell down before his master and begged him, 'Please, be patient with me, and I will pay it all.' Then his master was filled with pity for him, and he released him and forgave his debt."

"But when the man left the king, he went to a fellow servant who owed him a few thousand dollars. He grabbed him by the throat and demanded instant payment."

"His fellow servant fell down before him and begged for a little more time. 'Be patient with me, and I will pay it,' he pleaded. But his creditor wouldn't wait. He had the man arrested and put in prison until the debt could be paid in full."

Matthew 18:29-30

NLT

"When some of the other servants saw this, they were very upset. They went to the king and told him everything that had happened."

"Then the king called in the man he had forgiven and said, 'You evil servant! I forgave you that tremendous debt because you pleaded with me.'"

"'Shouldn't you have mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you?' Then the angry king sent the man to prison to be tortured until he had paid his entire debt."

"That's what my heavenly Father will do to you if you refuse to forgive your brothers and sisters from your heart."

"...I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me."

Matthew 25:35-36

'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

Matthew 25:40

'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.'

Matthew 25:45

'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.'

"Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

Matthew 25:45-46

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If you follow me, you will be poor in spirit and you will realize your need for God.

Matthew 5:3

NLT

God blesses those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Matthew 5:4

God blesses those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

If you follow me, you will mourn deeply over your sin.

Matthew 5:4

God blesses those who are humble, for they will inherit the whole earth.

God blesses those who are humble, for they will inherit the whole earth.

If you follow me, you will be humble.

Matthew 5:5

God blesses those who hunger and thirst for justice, for they will be satisfied. God blesses those who hunger and thirst for justice, for they will be satisfied.

If you follow me, you will be hungry and thirsty for justice and righteousness.

Matthew 5:6

NLT

God blesses those who are merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

God blesses those who are merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

If you follow me, you will be merciful: forgiving and compassionate.

Matthew 5:7

## <u>Internal</u>

- Poor in Spirit
- Mourning
- Humble
- Hungry & Thirsty for Justice

### External

- Merciful
- Pure in Heart
- Peacemaking
- Persecuted for Christ's Sake

#### The Beatitudes

"So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image."

#### 2 Corinthians 3:18

"This Catholic priest, this pure and lofty figure of true priesthood, offers the most savage satire on the priesthood today."

Victor Hugo, 1848



- Dormitory in Rwanda
- Anti-trafficking Center in India
- Job Training in Burkina Faso
- Dental clinic in Haiti
- The Well Church in St. Louis
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- Oasis Center in Lebanon
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