



## SERIES: In View Of God's Mercies

Week 4: The Mercy Of The Indwelling Spirit	
<p><b>Connect</b></p>  <p>5 – 10 min</p>	<p><i>Just for fun:</i> If you could work in a circus, what job would you want and why? (Young kids could draw themselves doing that job while others are sharing)</p>
<p><b>Gratitude</b></p>  <p>10 – 15 min</p>	<p><b>Share:</b> Whose company or conversation did you enjoy at some point in the last week? It may have been a brief exchange with a stranger or time with someone you know. What was something you appreciated about that interaction? (ie. Why was it good?)</p> <p><b>Pray:</b> Someone else in the group pray a one or two sentence prayer giving thanks to God for that person and interaction, and ask for God's blessing to be on them.</p> <p><b>Listen/Lift your heart in worship:</b> The Doxology, sung by Anthem Lights ft. Selah <a href="http://youtu.be/tQUTvMtUhw4">youtu.be/tQUTvMtUhw4</a> or on Spotify <a href="http://spoti.fi/2nSnGXR">http://spoti.fi/2nSnGXR</a> or download from iTunes</p>
<p><b>Discover</b></p>  <p>25 min</p>	<p><b>Watch the 10 minute video talk by Ian Freestone at:</b> <a href="https://youtu.be/PALFLD68lvU">https://youtu.be/PALFLD68lvU</a></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How are you going with Paul? Some people find his language and turn of phrases complex, confusing, and even annoying. How about you?</li> <li>2. Was there a time for you when Christianity was more about keeping the rules or trying to do the right thing? How is Paul's version of faith quite different to that?</li> <li>3. NT scholar Gordon Fee makes the point that Paul is not talking about two <u>natures</u> (flesh and Spirit) within one person battling it out, but rather two different kinds of <u>people</u> – those who live according to their human nature and those who are controlled or led by the Spirit. How might this understanding shift how this passage could be interpreted?</li> </ol>
<p><b>Act</b></p>  <p>10 min</p>	<p>What action is God asking of you in response to what you have just discovered in God's word?</p> <p>How did you go this week applying what God has showed you recently? How have you seen God at work in you, through you and around you? Do you have a story to share? How can house church encourage and support you as you seek to respond to God's prompts and teaching?</p>