

# Compassionate and gracious

## GOD HAS A NAME

Exodus 34:6-7 (NIV) *And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "Yahweh, Yahweh, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation."*

1 Kings 3:26 (NIV) *The woman whose son was alive was deeply moved out of love for her son and said to the king, "Please, my lord, give her the living baby! Don't kill him!"*

Isaiah 49:15 (NIV) *Can a mother forget the baby at her breast and have no compassion on the child she has borne? Though she may forget, I will not forget you!*

Psalms 103:7-8, 13 (NIV) *He made known his ways to Moses, his deeds to the people of Israel: 8 The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love... 13 As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him;*

Exodus 22:26-27 (CEV) *Before sunset you must return any coat taken as security for a loan, 27 because that is the only cover the poor have when they sleep at night. I am a merciful God, and when they call out to me, I will come to help them.*

Jonah 3:10 (NLT) *When God saw what they had done and how they had put a stop to their evil ways, he changed his mind and did not carry out the destruction he had threatened.*

Jonah 4:2-3 (NLT) *So he complained to the Lord about it: "Didn't I say before I left home that you would do this, Lord? That is why I ran away to Tarshish! I knew that you are a merciful and compassionate God, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love. You are eager to turn back from destroying people. 3 Just kill me now, Lord! I'd rather be dead than alive if what I predicted will not happen."*

Matthew 9:27 (NLT) *After Jesus left the girl's home, two blind men followed along behind him, shouting, "Son of David, have mercy on us!"*

Matthew 15:22 (NLT) *A Gentile woman who lived there came to him, pleading, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! For my daughter is possessed by a demon that torments her severely."*

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THE ONLY THING THAT CAN EFFECTIVELY KEEP YOU FROM GOD'S MERCY IS  
THINKING YOU \_\_\_\_\_ IT.

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Luke 6:35-36 (NLT) *But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. 36 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.*

Questions to \_\_\_\_\_

Who are your \_\_\_\_\_?

Who are the people who \_\_\_\_\_ you?

Do you honestly believe that God is your \_\_\_\_\_?

Hebrews 11:16 (NLT) *So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.*