

Prayer to Be Merciful

Help me, O Lord, that my eyes may be merciful, so that I may never suspect or judge from appearances, but look for what is beautiful in my neighbor's soul.

Help me, O Lord, that my ears may be merciful, so that I may give heed to my neighbor's needs.

Help me, O Lord, that my tongue may be merciful, so that I should never speak ill of my neighbor.

Help me, O Lord, that my hands may be merciful and filled with good deeds, so that I may do only good to my neighbor.

Help me, O Lord, that my feet may be merciful, so that I may hurry to assist my neighbor.

Help me, O Lord, that my heart may be merciful, so that I myself may feel all the sufferings of my neighbor.

May Thy mercy, O Lord, rest upon me.

Amen

Works of Mercy

Corporal Works of Mercy

(Charity to our neighbor's body)

- 1. Feed the Hungry
- 2. Give drink to the thirsty
- 3. Clothe the naked
- 4. Shelter the homeless
- 5. Visit the sick
- 6. Visit those in prison
- 7. Bury the dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

(Charity to our neighbor's soul)

- 1. Convert the sinner
- 2. Instruct the ignorant
- 3. Counsel the doubtful
- 4. Comfort the sorrowful
- 5. Bear wrongs patiently
- 6. Forgive Injuries
- 7. Pray for the living and the dead

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy" Matthew 5:7



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