Great Is Our Gracious And Just God!

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Great Is The Lord: How The Attributes Of God Shape Our Everyday Living! Pt. 6

Psalm 89:14, Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne; love and faithfulness go before You.

Psalm 33:5, The LORD loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of His unfailing love.

"The vague and tenuous hope that God is too kind to punish the ungodly has become a deadly opiate for the consciences of millions."

-A. W. Tozer

Exodus 34:6, And He passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "The Lord, the Lord, the **compassionate** and **gracious** God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, 7 maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet He does not leave the **guilty unpunished**...

1. Great Is Our Gracious God—The Mercy We NEED

Psalm 103:8, The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, bounding in love. 9 He will not always accuse, nor will He harbor His anger forever; 10 He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. 11 For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His love for those who fear Him; 12 as far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.

2. Great Is Our Just God—The Wrath We <u>DESERVE</u>

Deuteronomy 32:3, I will proclaim the name of the LORD. Oh, praise the greatness of our God! 4 He is the Rock, His works are perfect, and all His ways are just. A faithful God Who does no wrong, upright and

- God Treats Everyone Fairly

Acts 10:34, Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism.

Romans 12:19, Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is Mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord.

- God Grants Rewards Or Punishment Fairly

Hebrews 6:10, God is not unjust; He will not forget your work and the love you have shown Him as you have helped His people and continue to help them.

Colossians 3:25, Anyone who does wrong will be repaid for their wrongs, and there is no favoritism.

3. Great Is Our Perfect God—The Forgiveness We RECEIVE

Colossians 2:13, When you were dead in your sins... God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, 14having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; He has taken it away, nailing it to the cross.

Hebrews 10:14, For by one sacrifice He has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.

2 Corinthians 5:21, God made Him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.

"The debt was so great, that while mankind alone owed it, only God could pay it."

—Anselm

- **1 Peter 3:18**, For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God.
- **1 Peter 2:24**, "He Himself bore our sins" in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by His wounds you have been healed."

Isaiah 43:25, "I, even I, Am He Who blots out your transgressions, for My own sake, and remembers your sins no more.

Concluding Question: How Then Should We Live?

Micah 6:8, He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.