# Surrounded: Captured By Mercy

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Text: Psalm 32

Introduction:

Psalm 32 background

As a child of God-you are surrounded by God's mercy. Captured and protected!!

## Mercy should capture your heart

# Jeremiah 17:9

The heart [is] deceitful above all [things], and desperately wicked: who can know it?

#### Proverbs 4:23

Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it [are] the issues of life.

# Mercy should capture your will

#### Psalm 34:18

The LORD [is] nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

#### Psalm 51:17

The sacrifices of God [are] a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

# Mercy should capture your fears

What fear do you have? Who out what are you running from? What insecurities do you struggle with?

#### Matthew 10:28

And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

# Psalm 56:3

What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee.

Luke 1:50

And his mercy [is] on them that fear him from generation to generation.

# Mercy should capture your spirit

Don't fight against God's leading and teaching.

#### <u>Psalms 57:10-11</u>

For thy mercy is great unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds. Be thou exalted,

O God, above the heavens: let thy glory be above all the earth.

## <u>Psalm 13:5</u>

But I have trusted in thy mercy; my heart shall rejoice in thy salvation.

#### **Psalm 23:6**

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD ever.

## God's mercy should capture you!

#### Ephesians 2:4

But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,

# <u>Titus 3:5</u>

Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

#### Hebrews 4:16

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

# <u>1 Peter 1:3</u>

Blessed [be] the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

## Jude 1:21

Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

#### HOW?

- -Confess Your Sin.
- -Surrender your will.
- -<u>Trust</u> God with your fears.
- -Check vour attitude (spirit)

# This week, each morning, ask yourself these questions.

- -Is there a sin I committed today I need to confess?
- -ls my will being stubborn or submissive and what adjustment do I need to make?
- -What fear do I have that I need to release to God?
- -How is my attitude today and how does it need to change?