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The book of Lamentations is assumed to have been written by the prophet, Jeremiah. Lamentations comes directly after the book of Jeremiah, when the Israelite people are not obeying or following God. Jeremiah, who appears to be both a leader and a poet in scripture, warns his people that God will bring destruction if they do not change their ways. So, then in Lamentations, the Israelites (including Jeremiah) are lamenting (grieving, complaining) about how they are now in captivity in Babylonia. Life is definitely NOT going how they would like!

What we love most about this passage, couched between a lot of grumbling, is hearing Jeremiah reminding his friends that God is both fierce and severe, yet so loving, kind, and consistent. Jeremiah is politely saying, "I told you so, guys." He is attempting to bring hope and understanding of God's justice and judgment but also a picture of hope and restoration. God will show us His mercy and not give us the full consequence that we deserve and He loves us tremendously, but this captivity is necessary because we did not follow Him as He asked.

God gives you new mercy each day – a new opportunity to understand how much He loves you, a new chance to make right whatever felt wrong even just the previous day, a new moment to change the ways in our life that are not working. Just like any loving father, it would not be helpful if God only showed grace, mercy, and love with no consequences. The way that we learn, grow, and change is to also experience His correction when necessary.

Wake up each new morning in this new month of 2017 remembering that you are loved beyond measure by a God who knows you better than you know yourself. His love for you is steadfast, it never changes or lessens. Just as the old hymn reads, "Morning by morning new mercies I see. Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me."





DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



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Spend some time journaling your gratefulness to Jesus for loving you without condition and for giving you fresh mercy each new day.





HUSBANDS&WIVES

Just as God gives us His mercy and grace each day, we must also do the same with our spouse. What is one way that you could demonstrate more mercy and grace to your husband/wife?







PARENTS&KIDS

Each morning when you wake up, God has promised good things for that day - His mercy for you. What is one way that you can remember or remind yourself of those mercies each day?

Why do you think that God loves you all of the time, no matter what? How do you feel loved by Him?



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