

Series Life Tools
Passage James 2:8-13

Title Tools For Merciful Living

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• **Discussion Starter:** What Role does merciful living play in your every day life? How has this week's message caused you to look closer at this particular fruit in our life?

Take Off the "I'm Fine" Mask (James 2:8-12; 1 Timothy 1:15-16, Romans 5:8,10)

- Why do you think we put on the "I'm Fine" mask? How does putting on the "I'm Fine" mask hinders us as Christians?
- According to 1 Timothy 1:15-16, what truths do we see revealed by Paul about the relationship of one's selfimage and God's mercy?
- What are some of the things we can expect to happen if we are willing to take off the "I'm Fine" mask?
- How does God's word, in Romans 5:8-10 encouraged us to keep the "I'm Fine" mask off?

Live in the Abundant Mercy of Jesus (James 2:12; Psalms 119:105, 1John 5:3)

- James 2:12 says, that we should "So speak and so do as those who will be judge by the law of liberty". In your own words explain what this means?
- What viewpoint should we have about God's law according to Psalms 119:015 and 1 John 5:3? How is this viewpoint different from being religious?

Being Merciful is the Fruit of Being Saved (James 2:13; Matthew 18:21-35)

- What biblical truth was Jesus trying to show Peter in Matthew 18:21-35, as He responded to his question of how many times must I forgive someone?
- Why do you think it is so important to God that we bear the fruit of forgiveness?