**Churches-In-Homes   Week Beginning 05/09/2021**

**Notices:**

1. **Please pray that the COVID-19 infection rate will continue to go down.**

**Church YouTube channel**

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<https://youtu.be/wuoCvxnFnlA>

**Title:**  The blessed – The merciful

**Text**: Matthew 5:7

Additional text: Matthew 18:21-35

**Main points for discussion and practical application**

The kind of blessed people we have been describing so far, are going to be growing in godly qualities. They must not begin to act as though they have now “arrived” and start to look down on others. The closer they get to God the more they are aware of their own brokenness and so can be filled with mercy towards others, including the wicked and unrighteous. They do not condone or support evil or allow themselves to be drawn into sharing in other peoples’ sin, but they have compassion on those caught up in it and are able to pray for and minister to them with empathy – like our Lord Jesus did. They are blessed because they will continue to experience mercy themselves, instead of judgement and condemnation.

**Reflection/discussion points –**

1. **Release people who have hurt you; leave them to the Lord.**
2. **Be merciful to others**
3. **Guard your heart**