

MERCY FOR DESPERATE SOULS

Matthew 20:29-34

"Sanctify them
by the Truth.
Your Word is
Truth"
John 17:17

I. Introduction

A. Have you ever felt desperate?

B. When desperation settles into the minds, the most natural reaction is to despair of hope and sometimes life.

C. There is an even greater desperation - that of the soul when faced with eternity.

II. The call for mercy. 29-31a

A. The background of the story. 29

B. What is the nature of mercy? 30

C. Needy people need mercy. 30-31a

III. Their cry for mercy. 29-31

A. The scene demonstrates remarkable insight from the blind men.

B. Their cry came with a deep sense of urgency. 29-30

C. Their cry came persistently. 31

D. The cry must come without distraction.

IV. The character of mercy. 32-34

A. Mercy is attentive. 32-33

B. Mercy shows compassion. 34a

C. Mercy brings satisfaction. 34b

V. Conclusion