THE TENDER MERCIES OF GOD. SUNDAY, SEPT. 15TH, 2024 AUDIE CLAIRMONT

Psalm 145-8-9-AMP

- **8** The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in mercy *and* loving-kindness.
- **9** The Lord is good to all, and His tender mercies are over all His works [the entirety of things created].

Luke 6:45-KJV

For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

Passion - For the <u>overflow of what has been stored in your heart</u> will <u>be seen by your fruit</u> and <u>will be heard in your words.</u>

There is no limit to the mercy of God.

COMFORT AND HOPE IS OURS BECAUSE OF TENDER MERCY OF GOD.

2Corinthians 1:4-AMP

Who comforts (consoles and encourages) us in every trouble (calamity and affliction), so that we may also be able to comfort (console and encourage) those who are in any kind of trouble *or* distress, with the comfort (consolation and encouragement) with which we ourselves are comforted (consoled and encouraged) by God?

2Corinthians 10:4-AMP

For the weapons of our warfare are not physical [weapons of flesh and blood], but they are mighty before God for the overthrow and destruction of strongholds,

Jonah 2:1-10-NET

- 1 Jonah prayed to the LORD his God from the stomach of the fish
- 2 and said, "I called out to the LORD from my distress, and he answered me; from the belly of Sheol I cried out for help, and you heard my prayer.
- **3** You threw me into the deep waters, into the middle of the sea; the ocean current engulfed me; all the mighty waves you sent swept over me.
- **4** I thought I had been banished from your sight, that I would never again see your holy temple!
- **5** Water engulfed me up to my neck; the deep ocean surrounded me; seaweed was wrapped around my head.
- **6** I went down to the very bottoms of the mountains; the gates of the netherworld barred me in forever; but you brought me up from the Pit, O LORD, my God.

- 7 When my life was ebbing away, I called out to the LORD. And my prayer came to you, to your holy temple.
- **8** Those who worship worthless idols forfeit the mercy that could be theirs.
- **9** But as for me, I promise to offer a sacrifice to you with a public declaration of praise; I will surely do what I have promised. Salvation belongs to the LORD!"
- 10 Then the LORD commanded the fish and it disgorged Jonah on dry land.

Psalm 34:19-NKJV

Many *are* the afflictions of the righteous, <u>But the LORD delivers him out of them</u> all.

PEOPLE NEED THE TENDER MERCY OF GOD EVEN WHEN <u>THEY FEEL</u> THEY DON'T DESERVE IT.

Jonah 4:1-3

But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he became angry.

Jon 4:2 So he prayed to the LORD, and said, "Ah, LORD, was not this what I said when I was still in my country? Therefore I fled previously to Tarshish; *for I know that You are a gracious and merciful God, slow to anger and abundant in lovingkindness, One who relents from doing harm.*

Jon 4:3 Therefore now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for *it is* better for me to die than to live!"

2:2-6 – I called out to the LORD from my distress, and he answered me; from the belly of Sheol I cried out for help, and you heard my prayer. 6 ...but you brought me up from the Pit, O LORD, my God.

OUR GOD IS A <u>GOD OF LOVE</u> WHO COMBATS THE HATRED AND BITTERNESS OF THE WORLD WITH LOVE AND TENDER MERCY.

Colossians 3:12-15-Passion

- 12 Be merciful as you endeavor to understand others, and be compassionate, showing kindness toward all. Be gentle and humble, unoffendable in your patience with others.
- **13** Tolerate the weaknesses of those in the family of faith, forgiving one another in the same way you have been graciously forgiven by Jesus Christ. If you find fault with someone, release this same gift of forgiveness to them.
- **14** For love is supreme and must flow through each of these virtues. Love becomes the mark of true maturity.
- **15** Let your heart be always guided by the peace of the Anointed One, who called you to peace as part of his one body. And always be thankful.