

A 3D rendered chain with several links. One link is gold and has the word 'MERCY' written on it in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. Another link is blue and has the word 'SACRIFICE' written on it in orange, bold, sans-serif capital letters. The chain is set against a dark blue background.

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what this means...**

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Hosea 6:6**

# Summary of Jesus' Response

- 1. David's example: God's law**
- 2. Priest's work: God's law**
- 3. One greater than temple: His authority**
- 4. "Mercy, not sacrifice": Pharisees lacked**
- 5. Lord of the Sabbath: His authority**
- 6. Sabbath made for man: purpose of Sabbath**

A close-up photograph of a chain with several interlocking links. One link is a bright, polished gold, while the others are a bright, polished silver. The chain is set against a light, neutral background. The lighting creates highlights and shadows on the metallic surfaces, emphasizing their texture and the way the links are connected.

**We must learn. . .**

- 1. The connection between mercy, truth, and knowledge**
- 2. A common overreaction**



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**3. How this is abused to justify sin**

**- “David and the priest’s sin was excusable due to the motive of mercy”**

**- Ps. 25:10; 1 Jn. 5:3**



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**4. Error is always merciless**

**- 1 Tim. 4:1-3**

**ex. infant baptism**

**“I desire mercy and the knowledge of God  
more than baptism”**

A close-up photograph of a chain with several interlocking links. One link in the center is a bright, polished gold color, while the other visible links are a bright, polished silver color. The chain is set against a plain, light-colored background.

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**5. Jesus is Lord of all Col. 3:17**



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**6. When we correct others,  
mercy and truth are essential**

**- Gal. 6:1 true love and mercy**

**- Jn. 7:24; Pr. 18:17 judge righteously**

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