



"I will tell of the kindnesses of the LORD, the deeds for which he is to be praised, according to all the LORD has done for us-- yes, the many good things he has done..." (Isaiah 63:7)

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3. We need <u>GENTLENESS</u> sincerely expressed.

"but do this with <u>gentleness</u> and <u>respect</u>, keeping a clear conscience so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander."

(1 Peter 3:15-16)

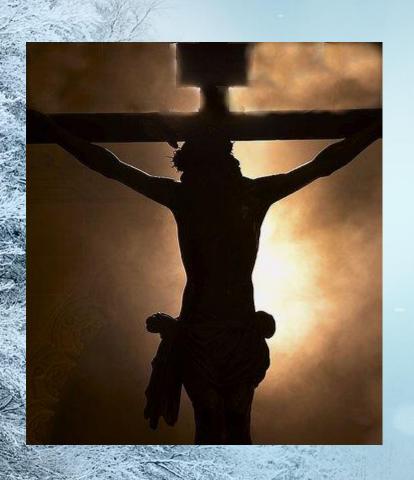


## We are beggars. This is true.

The last words of Martin Luther November 10, 1483 – February 18, 1546 "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble. (James 4:6)

"Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us." (1 Peter 2:12)

4. We need <u>CONFIDENCE</u> courageously maintained.



"In all their distress he too was distressed, and the angel of his presence saved them. In his love and mercy he redeemed them; He lifted them up and carried them" (Isaiah 63:7-9)



