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Mi.7,18: *“Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy.”*

Rm.8,32: *“He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all – how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?”*

Sin puts us in the way of God’s anger. That is true. But it is only part of a greater truth – one to which God’s anger is related like a stretch of way to the overall destination, or like a punishing circumstance to the gaining of a beautiful insight.

This greater truth is God’s delight of putting us sinners in the way of his mercy, to pardon our sin and to forgive. Where God so delights, can we go on delighting in sin?

*“Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits – who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.” (Ps.103,2-5)*

Lord God, bless us with a sense to taste your delight to show mercy, open our eyes to him who is your mercy, even Jesus your Son. Amen