## The Mercy Factor in God

God's introduction to Moses (Exodus 34:5-7) 3rd & 4th generations

The Sin-Offering HAS LIMITS! (Hebrews 9:7 -- NAS is clearest)

The TWO offsets to those limits:

- (1) <u>Israel's First-Advent sufferings</u> (Matthew 23:32, 34-36) Abel to Zecharias -- (entire O.T. -- II Chronicles 24:20, 21)
- (2) The Antitypical Scapegoat

Vernacular Usage: Lay blame to avoid prosecution Leviticus 16:10, 20-22 (<u>Israel</u> -- Matthew 23 -- *a kind of* <u>First-Advent</u> scapegoat)

GC: The N.T. equivalent. Two possibilities:

- (1) GC -- as a class existing throughout the age
  - (I Corinthians 5:5 -- destruction of flesh)
  - Cf. Revelation 7 -- tribulation borne by  $\underline{\text{entire class}}$
- (2) But goat was <u>released</u> AFTER THE SIN OFFERING; therefore, perhaps, ONLY the Harvest GC as only First-Advent-Harvest Israel bore the weight

LIKELY #2 with Time of Trouble being the agent

I Timothy 5:24: Immediate versus delayed recompense --

Examples: II Thessalonians 1:6,7 Warnings to Pharisees